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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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5:00 P.M., 13 July 1978

NEB DENIES WESTCOAST MAINLINE LOOPING APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has denied the Westcoast Transmission Company Limited application for a certificate to add pipeline facilities to its mainline transmission system.

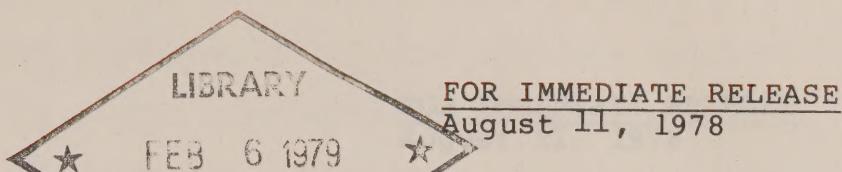
The additional facilities proposed consisted of 14 separate 36-inch O.D. pipeline loops totalling 111.5 miles in length and costing an estimated \$80,578,400. The facilities would have completed the remaining unlooped portions of Westcoast's mainline system.

On the basis of the evidence introduced and submissions made at the hearing, the Board was not satisfied that the proposed facilities are and will be required by the present and future public convenience and necessity.

The Board was of the opinion that none of the proposed facilities was required to be built this year and that only a relatively small part of the project might be required within the next two years.

NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



NEB DELEGATES POWERS TO NORTHERN PIPELINE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today issued an Order defining the powers, duties and functions of the Board which are delegated to Mr. W.A. Scotland, Associate Vice Chairman of the Board in his capacity as the Board's "designated officer" and deputy to the Administrator of the Northern Pipeline Agency.

The powers, duties and functions of the Board delegated to the Deputy Administrator are those in the NEB Act related mainly to the construction of a pipeline. They can be divided into two classes of power. The first class relates to the substantive powers of the Board which deal with the regulation of the location and construction of the pipeline. They include for example the power to approve plans and profiles and to authorize the crossing of navigable waters and existing utilities.

The second class of powers are those of a procedural nature which are needed to perform the substantive powers. The procedural powers include the power to make Orders, to conduct public hearings and to require evidence.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
August 11, 1978

NEB ISSUES REASONS FOR DECISION IN TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED RATE CASE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today issued its Reasons for Decision on the application of TransCanada PipeLines Limited for new rates and tolls effective 1 August 1978. The Board earlier this month issued an order to TransCanada and made public the new rates and tolls effective on that date. (See NEB press release dated 2 August 1978 and Order TG-1-78 attached to it.)

The main issue in the case was TransCanada's request to change from flow-through to normalized tax accounting, both for accounting and for rate making purposes, and to "catch-up" the unrecovered deferred taxes resulting from the prior use of flow-through tax accounting. The Board allowed TransCanada normalized taxes for the test year but denied ~~LIBRARY~~ the request to start amortizing the deferred tax liability. ~~LIBRARY~~ 6 1979 ~~UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO~~ ~~LIBRARY~~

The Board allowed TransCanada a return on rate base of 10.75 per cent compared with 10.9 per cent applied for and 10.2 per cent previously authorized. The increase from the return on rate base previously authorized resulted from the higher cost of existing debt issued in United States dollars due to the appreciation of the United States dollar, the higher cost of new debt compared with the embedded cost, and the higher proportion of equity in the capital structure.

The implementation of new rates on 1 August 1978 coincided with the increase from 185 cents per million Btu's to 200 cents per million Btu's in the Toronto reference price for natural gas from Alberta by agreement between the Alberta and Federal governments. The main impact of the increase in transportation tolls of TransCanada falls on the producer rather than the customers of TransCanada. As a consequence, the imputed Alberta border price increased by 4.3 cents per million Btu's while the Toronto city gate price increased by 15 cents.

The increase in transportation tolls reflected the increased return on rate base, the initiation of income tax payments by TransCanada, the change to normalized tax accounting, increased salary and wage rates, and the higher cost of fuel used in compressors as a result of the increase in price of Alberta gas.

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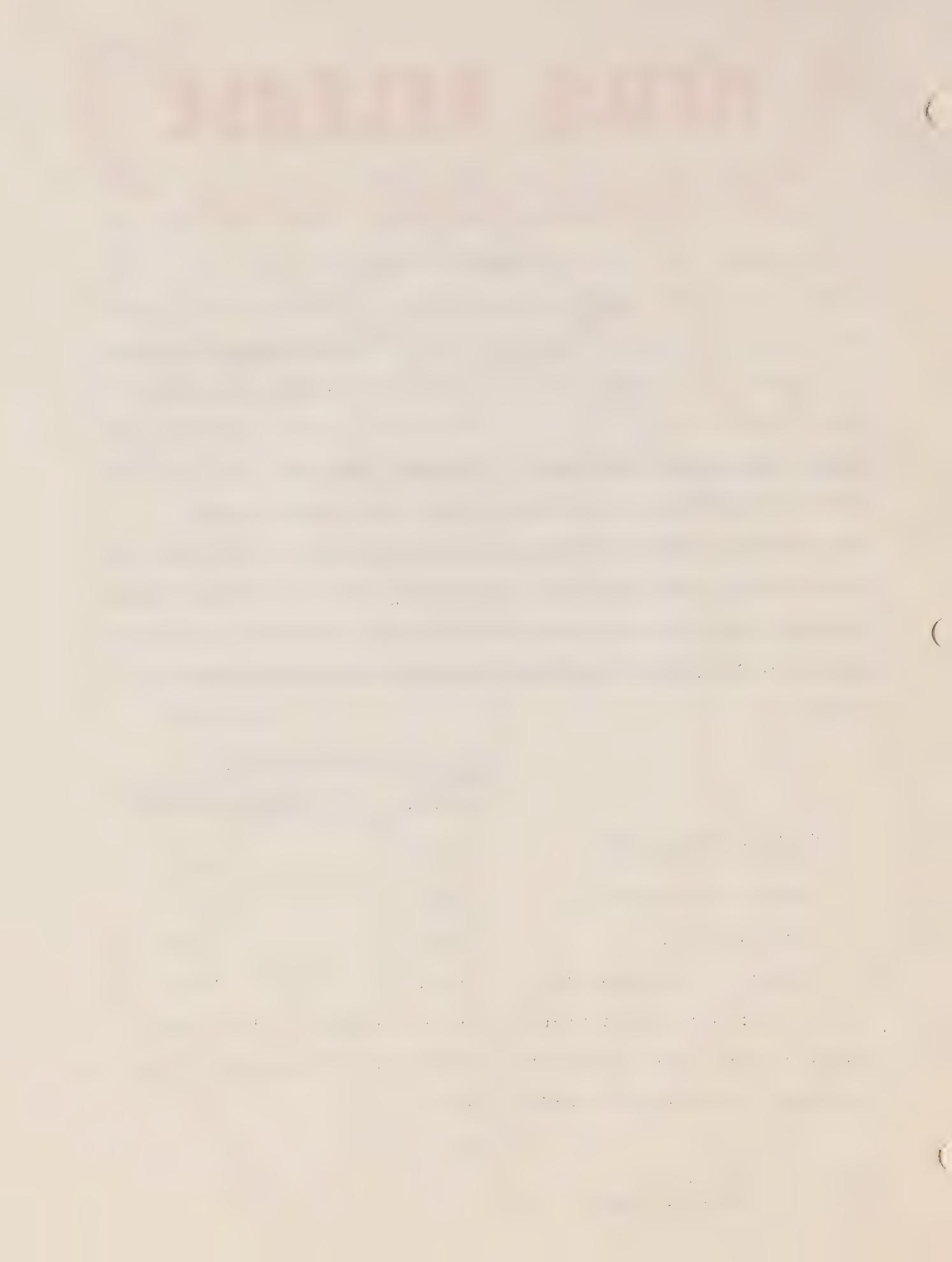
September 1, 1978.

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of September, 1978 and until further notice he is recommending to the Governor in Council that the following tariff of charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

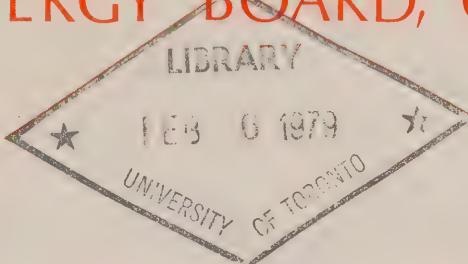
	Dollar per Barrel	
Previous Level		Level for September, 1978
Motor gasoline and gasoline components	4.50	4.50
Middle distillate	3.00	2.50
Heavy fuel oil	1.50	1.70
Partially processed oil	4.00	4.00

Mr. Gillespie stated that the changes in the export charge reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets as well as the lower value of the Canadian dollar.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 8, 1978

HYDRO-QUEBEC GRANTED ELECTRICAL EXPORT LICENCE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its approval of the Hydro-Québec application to export interruptible power and energy for a five year seven month period to the Power Authority of the State of New York (PASNY). This application was the subject of a public hearing held in Montreal on June 6th and 7th, 1978.

The maximum amount of power for export is 1,360 megawatts (1 megawatt = 1,000 kilowatts). The maximum quantity of energy licensed for export in any consecutive 12-month period under the new licence is 10,200 GWh, less whatever amount is exported under Licence EL-96, already held by Hydro-Québec.

The export power will be generated at Hydro-Québec's Beauharnois and Les Cèdres generating stations on the St. Lawrence River and transmitted to PASNY over the Châteauguay-Massena 765 kV line and the Cedars double-circuit 120 kV line.

Interruptible power and energy are defined as power and energy made available under an agreement that permits curtailment or cessation of delivery at the option of the supplier.

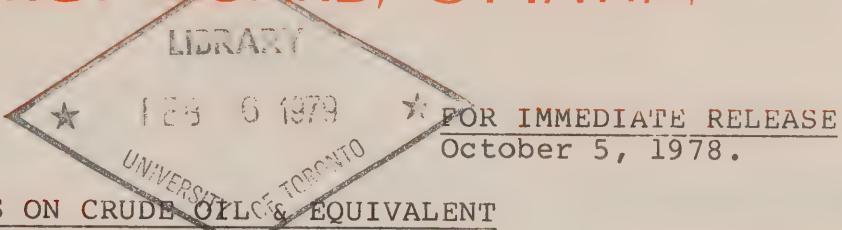
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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

NEWS RELEASE



OCTOBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OILS & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his recommendation that for the month of October, 1978 the charges applicable to exports of light and heavy crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased by 80 cents per barrel, as follows:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$4.10 to \$4.90 per barrel.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$2.55 to \$3.35 per barrel.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$3.00 to \$3.80 per barrel.

Mr. Gillespie said that although the increase took account of changes in spot markets for freight and competing oil supplies over the past several months, it was mainly occasioned by the lower value of the Canadian dollar.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 6, 1978.

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of October, 1978 and until further notice he is recommending to the Governor in Council that the following tariff of charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

	Dollar per Barrel	
Previous Level	Level for October, 1978	
Motor gasoline and gasoline components	4.50	4.50
Middle distillate	2.50	2.50
Heavy fuel oil	1.70	1.70
Partially processed oil	4.00	4.80

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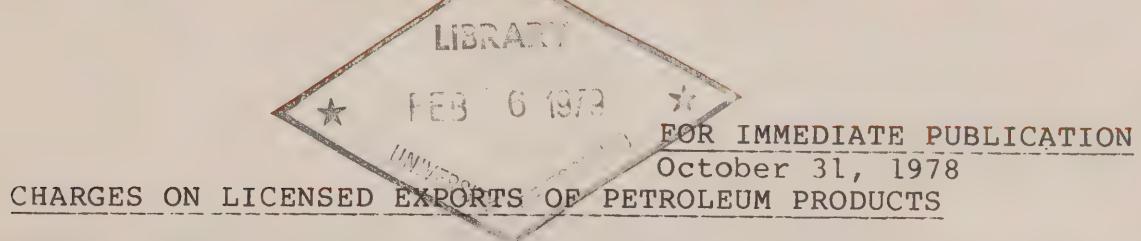
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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of November, 1978 and until further notice he is recommending to the Governor in Council that the following tariff of charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

	<u>Dollars per Barrel</u>	
	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for November 1978</u>
Motor gasoline and gasoline components	\$4.50	\$4.75
Middle distillate	\$2.50	\$3.00
Heavy fuel oil	\$1.70	\$2.20
Partially processed oil	\$4.80	\$5.30

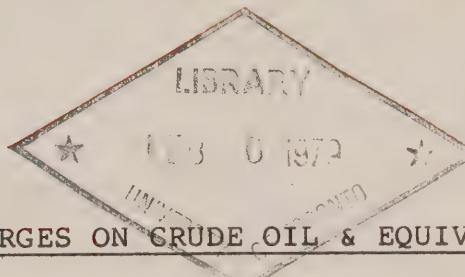
Mr. Gillespie stated that the increases in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets as well as the lower value of the Canadian dollar.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 31, 1978.

NOVEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his recommendation to the Governor in Council that effective November 1, 1978 the charges applicable to exports of light crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased by 50 cents a barrel, and the charges for heavy crude oils be increased by 40 cents a barrel as follows.

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$4.90 to \$5.40 per barrel.
 2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$3.35 to \$3.75 per barrel.
 3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$3.80 to \$4.20 per barrel.

The increases were largely ascribed to the course of the exchange value of the Canadian dollar.

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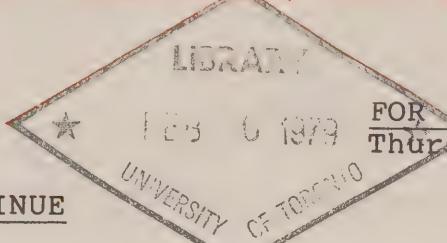
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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



HEAVY FUEL OIL EXPORTS TO CONTINUE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has reviewed and subsequently approved the continuance of heavy fuel oil exports under existing licences issued to Union Carbide Ltd., Sunoco Inc. and Imperial Oil Ltd. These licences were originally approved by the Board in November, 1976 but conditioned in such a way that the volumes permitted to be exported were subject to a review by the Board. The approval covers the following:

<u>EXPORTER</u>	<u>ORIGIN</u>	<u>CONSIGNEE</u>	<u>APPROX. MAXIMUM VOLUME (M B/D)</u>	<u>EXPIRY</u>
Imperial Oil Ltd.	Strathcona, Alberta	Exxon Company, Rapid River, Michigan	5.8	31 Dec 1981
Imperial Oil Ltd.	Strathcona, Alberta	Consumers Power Company, Jackson, Mich.	10.0	31 Dec 1981
Union Carbide Canada Limited	Sarnia, Ontario	Consumers Power Company, Jackson, Mich.	26.0	31 Aug 1982
Sunoco Inc.	Sarnia, Ontario	Detroit Edison Company	19.5	31 Dec 1982

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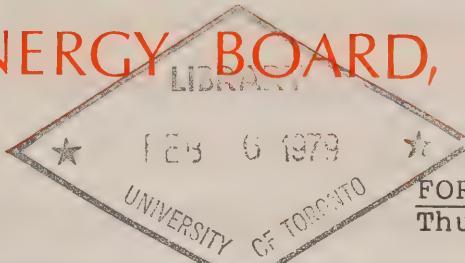
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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



NEB RELEASES WESTCOAST (PHASE I) RATES DECISION REVIEW

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today the Review of its Westcoast Transmission Company Limited (Phase I) Rates Decision.

In June, four applications were filed with the Board for a review of the Phase I Decision. The applications were filed on behalf of the Attorney General of British Columbia; The British Columbia Petroleum Corporation; the Council of Forest Industries of British Columbia; and Cominco Ltd., Consumers Glass Company Limited, Domglas Inc. and Hiram Walker and Sons Ltd.

On the basis of its Review, the Board decided that it would be appropriate, in seeking to achieve just and reasonable tolls to be charged by Westcoast, to permit the company to change to the normalized method of income tax accounting and to recover normalized income taxes on a current basis in its cost of service. In this respect, the Board would not vary the Phase I Decision.

The second aspect on which the applicants sought review was Westcoast's proposal to provide for the "catch-up" of past deferred taxes in its cost of service in the period between now and 1989. The Board, in review, has not found the argument in favour of that proposal to be persuasive. Accordingly, the Board has concluded that it should vary the Phase I Decision by rescinding the

requirement to have Westcoast recover past deferred taxes in its cost of service, in respect of exports over the remaining life of Licence No. GL-41 and in respect of domestic sales over a 25-year period.

Lastly, the Board considered the concept raised in the Phase I Hearing and Decision of allocating the depreciation, income taxes and the mainline transmission plant as between the export and domestic business of Westcoast. It is the Board's decision that the question of allocation as between the export and domestic business of the company should be left for further consideration and a final decision made in the succeeding phases of the hearing.

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JANUARY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his recommendation to the Governor in Council that the charges applicable to exports of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased as shown below for the month of January, 1979 until further notice. The tariff is expressed in rates of charge per cubic metre, the existing levels of charge being increased by 75 cents per barrel and restated in metric terms correct to the nearest five cents.

1. For light crude oils and condensate, \$38.70 a cubic metre (approximately \$6.15 a barrel).
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, \$28.30 a cubic metre (approximately \$4.50 a barrel).
3. For other designated heavy oils, \$31.15 a cubic metre (approximately \$4.95 a barrel).

Mr. Gillespie stated that the new tariff reflects the increase in OPEC crude oil prices that will become effective on 1st January next.

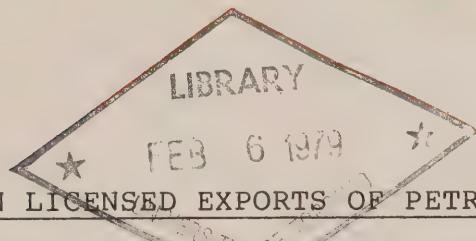
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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

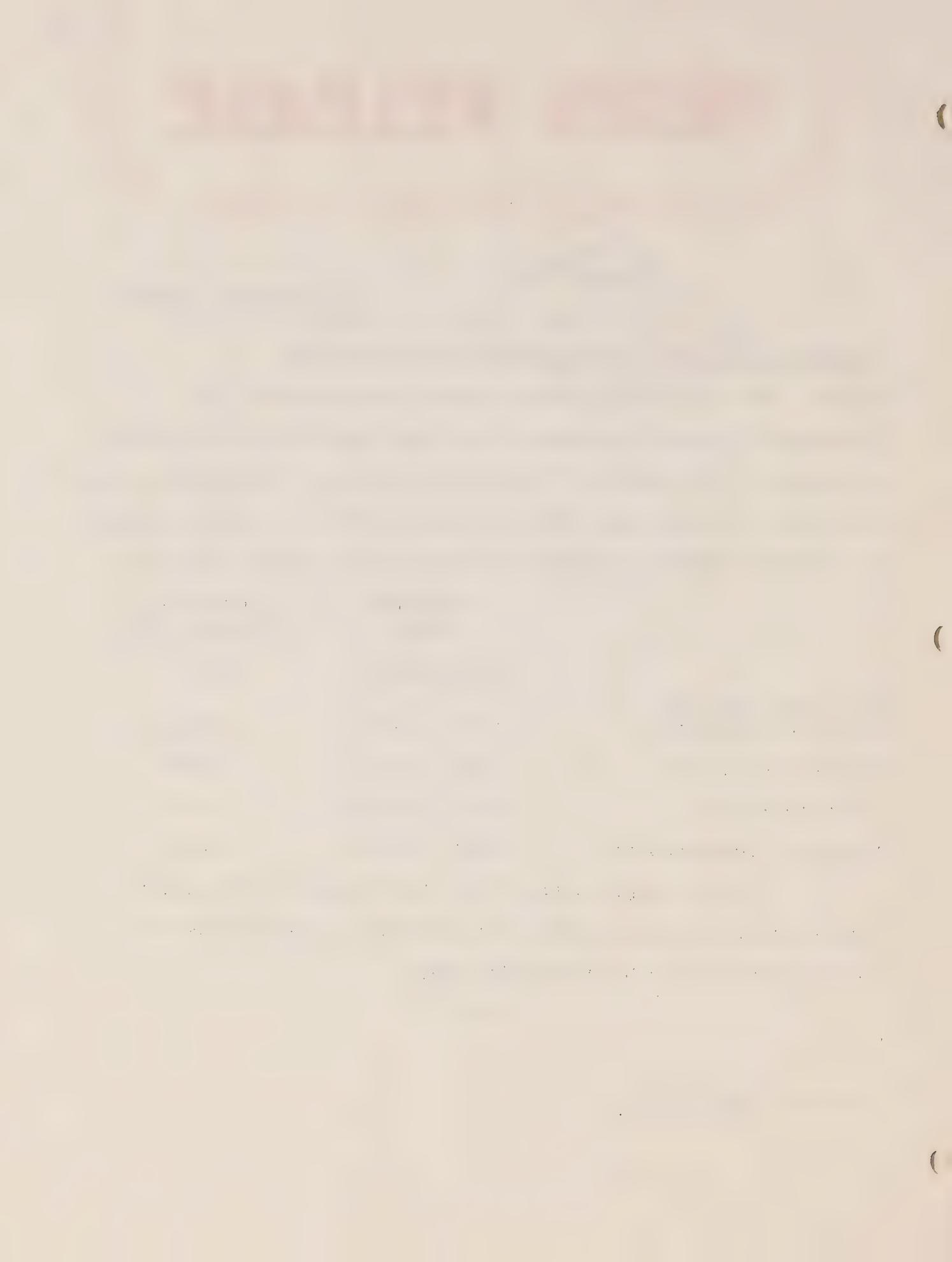
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of January, 1979 and until further notice he is recommending to the Governor in Council that the following tariff of charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

	<u>Previous Level</u> <u>\$/Bbl.</u>	<u>Level for January, 1979</u> <u>\$/m³</u>
Motor gasoline and gasoline components	4.75	29.90
Middle distillate	3.00	18.88
Heavy fuel oil	2.20	13.84
Partially processed oil	5.30	33.35

Mr. Gillespie stated that the changes in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets as well as the increase in the Syncrude/GCOS levy.

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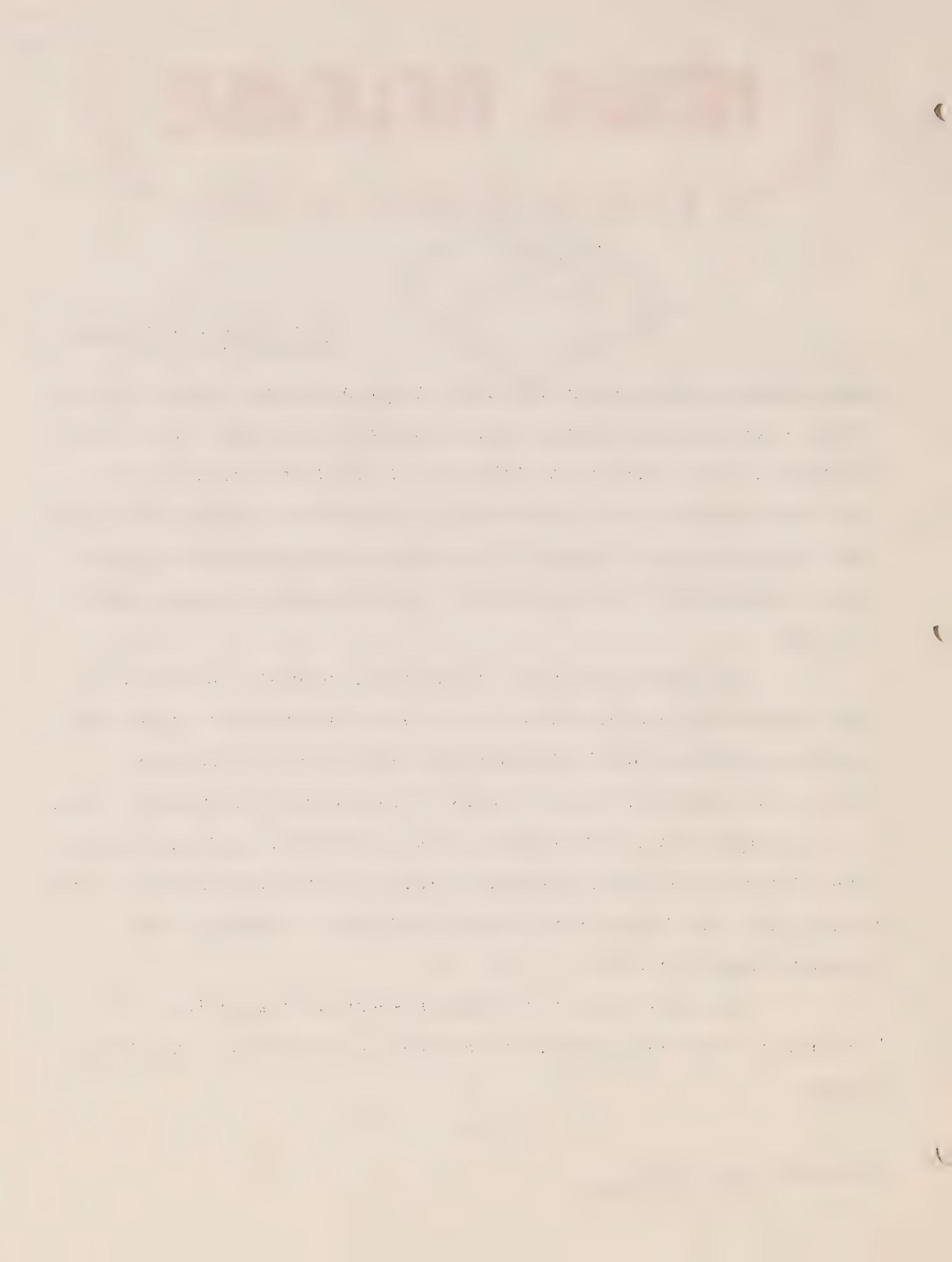
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
January 15, 1979.

SASKATCHEWAN POWER APPLIES FOR CERTIFICATE AND POWER EXPORT LICENCES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing starting on February 20, 1979 at 9.30 a.m. in the Canadian North and Centre Room of the Sheraton Centre Motor Inn, 1818 Victoria Avenue, Regina, Saskatchewan concerning Saskatchewan Power Corporation's application for a certificate and power export licences.

The application for a certificate requests authority for the construction and operation of a 230 KV international power line from Saskatchewan Power's Boundary Dam Switching Station near Estevan, Saskatchewan to the Canada - U.S. border (9.5 miles), where it will connect to a 230 KV power line to be built by Basin Electric Power Cooperative of North Dakota. The line will terminate at Logan Substation, near Minot, North Dakota and will be known as "the Boundary Dam-Tioga Line".

The application for licences seeks authorization for exports of firm and interruptible power to utilities in the United States.



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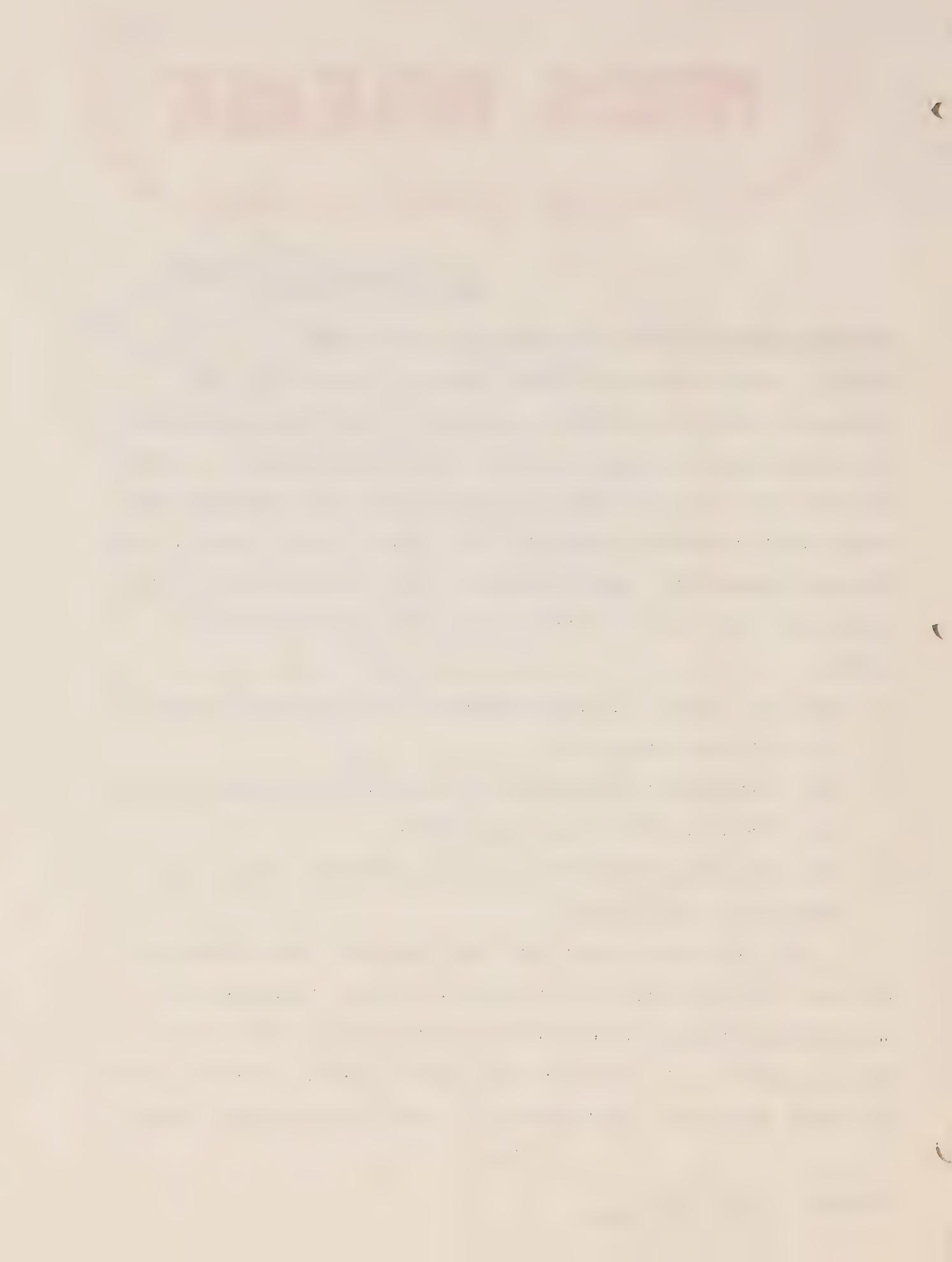
FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION
January 23, 1979

FEBRUARY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his recommendation to the Governor in Council that the charges applicable to exports of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased as shown below for the month of February, 1979 until further notice. The increases amount to approximately 60 cents a barrel for light crude oils and about 50 cents a barrel for exports of heavy crudes.

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$38.70 to \$42.50 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, from \$28.30 to \$31.45 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$31.15 to \$34.30 per cubic metre.

Mr. Gillespie stated that the increases took account of the official OPEC pricing that has been announced, together with prevailing transportation costs and the present value of the Canadian dollar. He stressed that the new tariff took no account of premia apparently being sought in some international trading.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION
January 23, 1979

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of February, 1979 and until further notice he is recommending to the Governor in Council that the following tariff of charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

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	Previous level	Level for February, 1979
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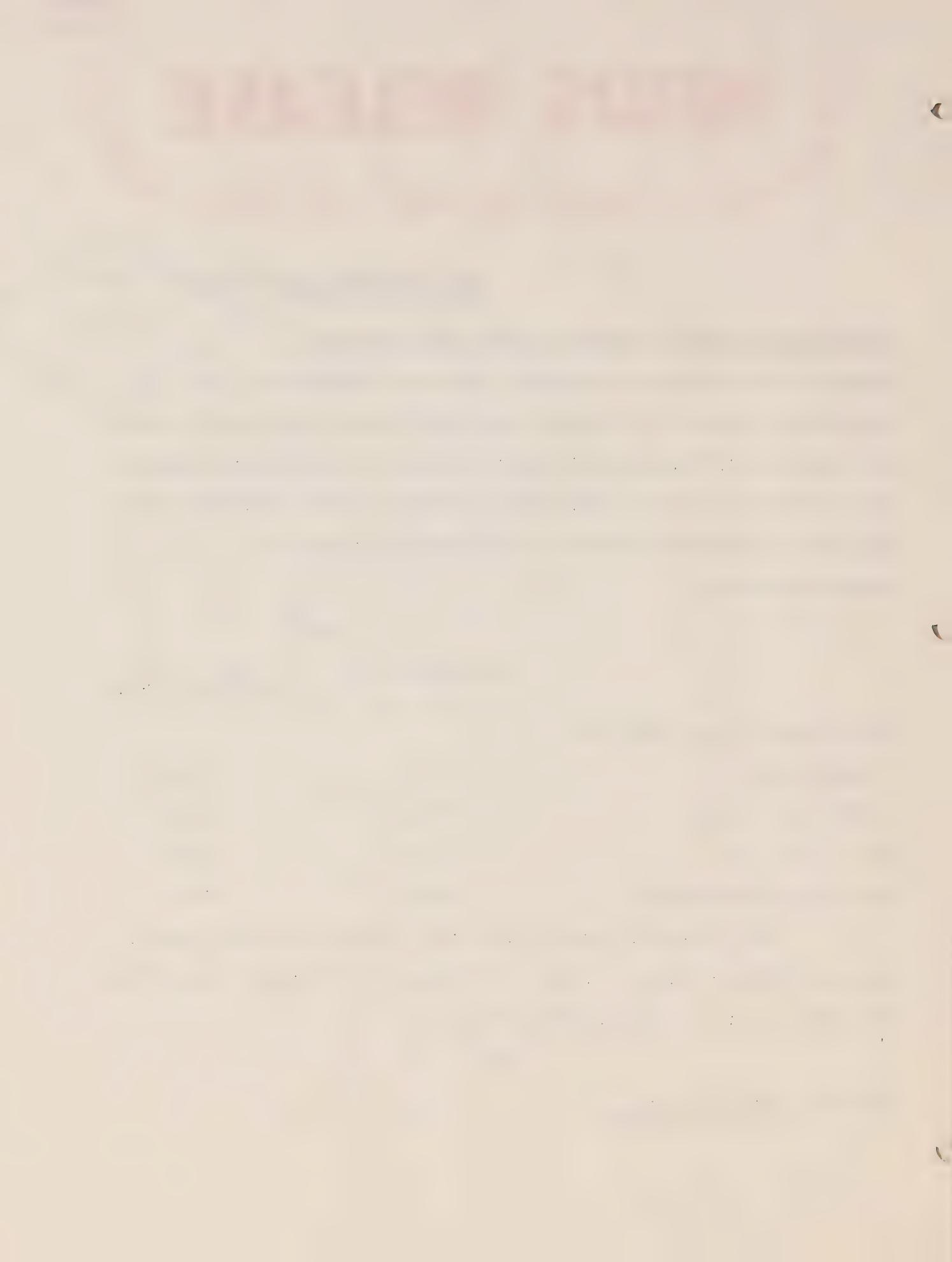
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline

Components	28.30	29.90
Middle Distillate	20.45	23.60
Heavy Fuel Oil	17.00	21.70
Partially Processed Oil	36.50	40.25

Mr. Gillespie stated that the increases in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets as well as the lower value of the Canadian dollar.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION
February 5, 1979

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD ISSUES REVISED PROPOSAL FOR INCENTIVE RATE OF RETURN SCHEME FOR THE NORTHERN PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that a revised proposal for an Incentive Rate of Return Scheme for the Northern Pipeline is available to interested parties.

The purpose of the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme is to provide an incentive to promote good cost control, to reduce the cost of transmission of gas, and to facilitate the financing of the pipeline.

A preliminary draft of the proposal was issued on 19 October 1978, and it requested submissions from Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. and interested parties. Apart from Foothills, submissions were received from

The State of Alaska

The People of the State of California and the Public Utilities Commission, State of California

State of New York
Department of Public Service

Canadian Wildlife Federation

Canadian Arctic Resources Committee

Sulzer Bros. (Canada) Limited

Foothills requested rates of return higher than those in the Board's proposal, while most other submittors requested lower rates.

Having considered all of the submissions, the Board is now issuing a revised proposal which clarifies the basis of its original proposal and sets forth rates of return somewhat lower than in that document.

The Board indicates that the present proposal should be used by Foothills in the development of a definitive financial plan, but that the draft Regulations may require modification when the tariff has been approved and Foothills has submitted a firm financing plan.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 8, 1979

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD REQUESTS Foothills TO FILE NORTHERN PIPELINE TARIFF

OTTAWA- The National Energy Board has requested Foothills (Yukon) Pipe Lines Ltd. to file the form and content of its proposed tariff or tariffs for the Northern Pipeline together with supporting material on or before February 20, 1979.

The text of the letter to Foothills is as follows:

"You are requested to file the proposed tariff or tariffs for the Foothills (Yukon) Pipe Lines system in Canada on or before 20 February 1979.

Either in the tariff itself or in accompanying documents, it would be appreciated if you would clarify the position of Foothills on the following points:

1. When will the tariff start if leave to open has been granted in Canada and there is a delay in gas flowing caused by events outside of Canada?
2. In the event of a major interruption in service during the operating phase caused by events outside Canada, will the return on equity of the Foothills (Yukon) companies be impaired?
3. Will a single tariff be established for the pipeline in Canada or separate tariffs for each corporate entity in Canada (see 31(2) of the Northern Pipeline Act). If there are to be separate tariffs for each corporate entity, please file copies for each corporate entity.

4. If facilities are prebuilt to carry Alberta Gas, will the form and content of the tariff be the same as when Alaska gas is flowing? If different, a tariff should be filed for each set of circumstances.
5. It is understood that in regard to prebuilt facilities of Foothills Pipe Lines (South B.C.), consideration is being given to looping the existing Alberta Natural Gas pipeline. How will the tariff operate under these circumstances?"

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 13, 1979

NEB GRANTS WESTCOAST TRANSMISSION CERTIFICATE FOR B.C. FACILITIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited to operate certain pipeline facilities in British Columbia owned by Gas Trunk Line of British Columbia Ltd., a subsidiary of Westcoast.

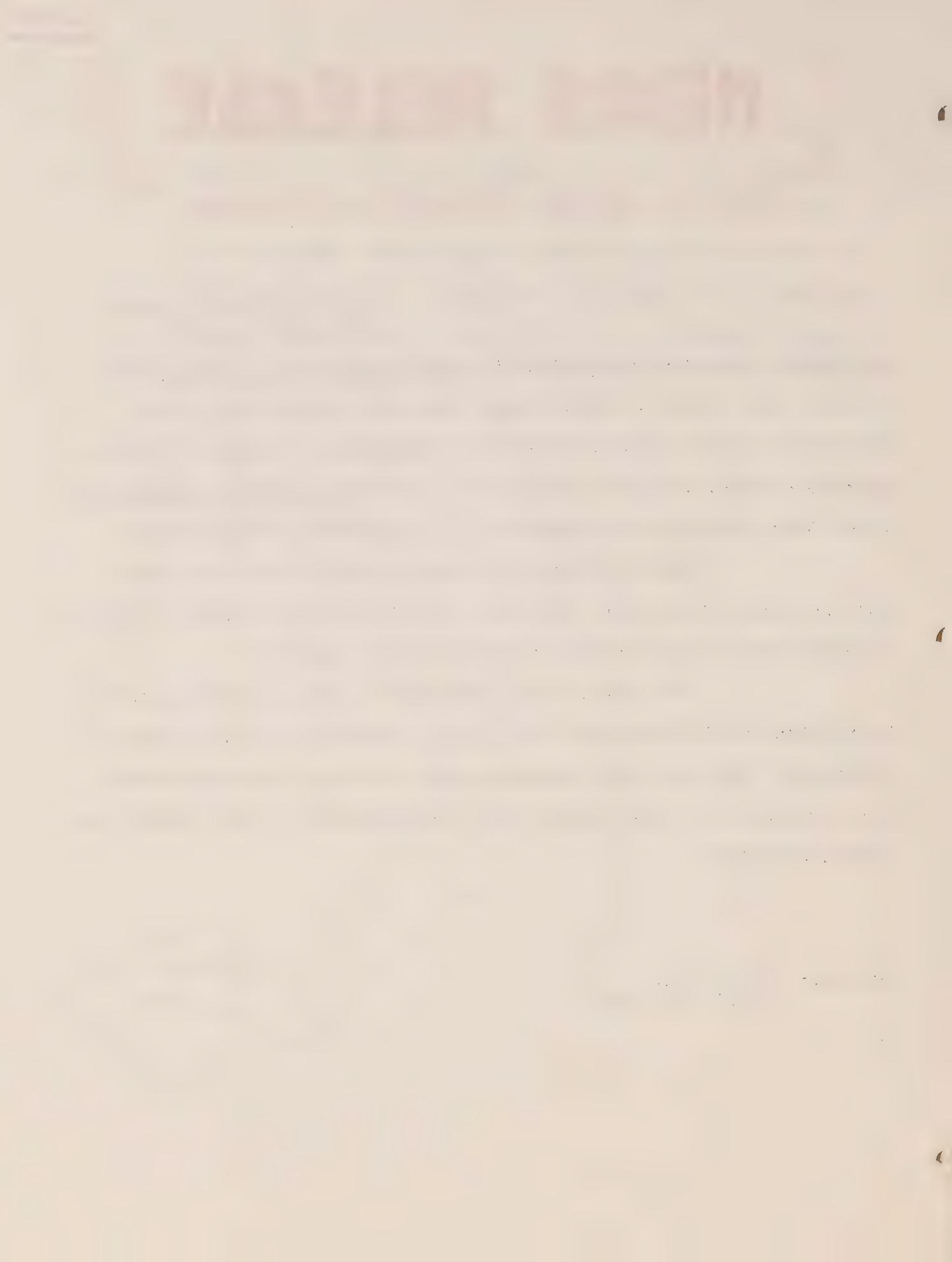
The 158 miles of pipeline facilities constitute four sections of the Fort St. John, B.C. gathering system and are an integral part of Westcoast's overall utility system.

The natural gas produced in the gas fields served by the Gas Trunk facilities is, with the exception of gas used for compressor fuel and other company uses, delivered into Westcoast's main transmission pipeline for sale by Westcoast to its domestic and export customers.

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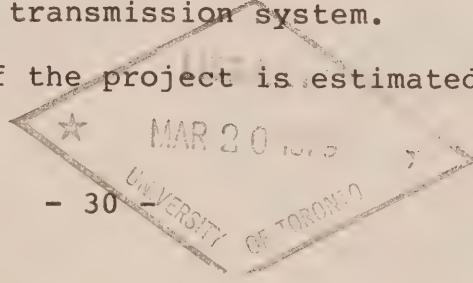
NEB SETS HEARING ON WESTCOAST TRANSMISSION PLANS TO EXTEND PIPELINE GATHERING FACILITIES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on an application by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited of Vancouver, B.C. for a certificate to construct natural gas gathering pipelines and a sulphur plant addition in northeastern British Columbia. The hearing is set to commence on Wednesday, April 18 at 9:30 a.m. local time in the Avon Room of the Devonshire Hotel, 849 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, B.C. A deadline of April 3 has been set for the filing of interventions.

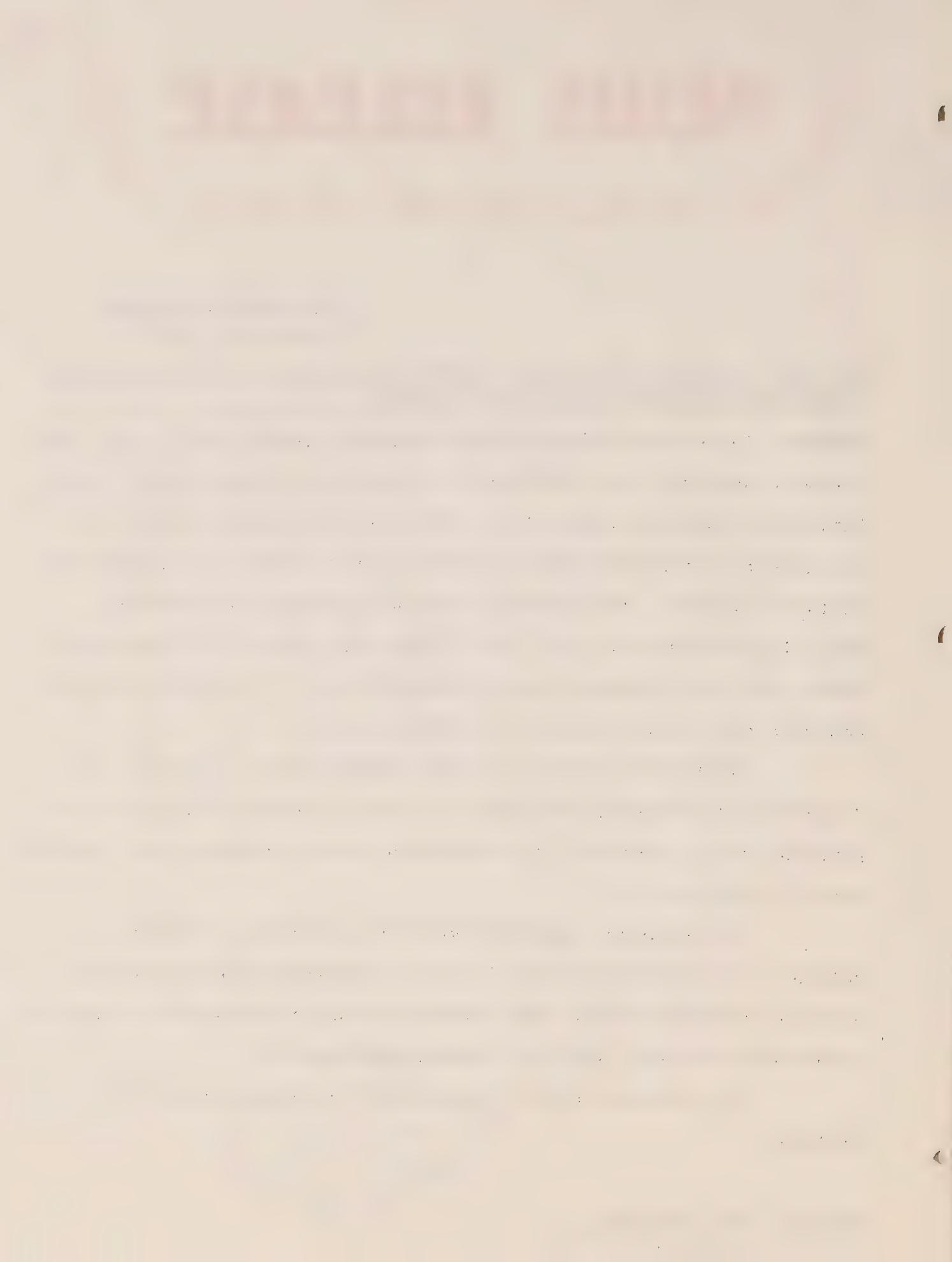
Westcoast proposes to build about 134 km (83 miles) of 323.9 mm (12.75-inch), 406.4 mm (16.0-inch) and 609.6 mm (24.0-inch) pipeline and an addition to an existing sulphur removal plant located near Fort Nelson, B.C.

The proposed pipeline would be installed to connect natural gas producing fields in the Junior-Ekwan-Sierra-Sahtaneh areas of northeastern British Columbia to gas treating facilities and to Westcoast's main line gas transmission system.

The capital cost of the project is estimated at \$33.8 million.



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MARCH EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

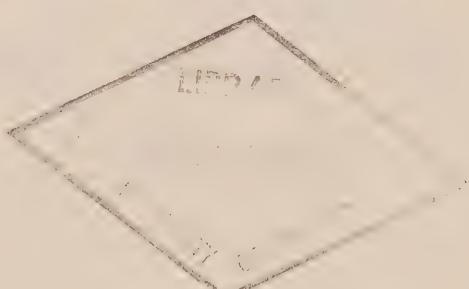
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his recommendation to the Governor in Council that the charges applicable to exports of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased by \$1.55/m³ (approximately 25 cents a barrel) for the month of March, 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

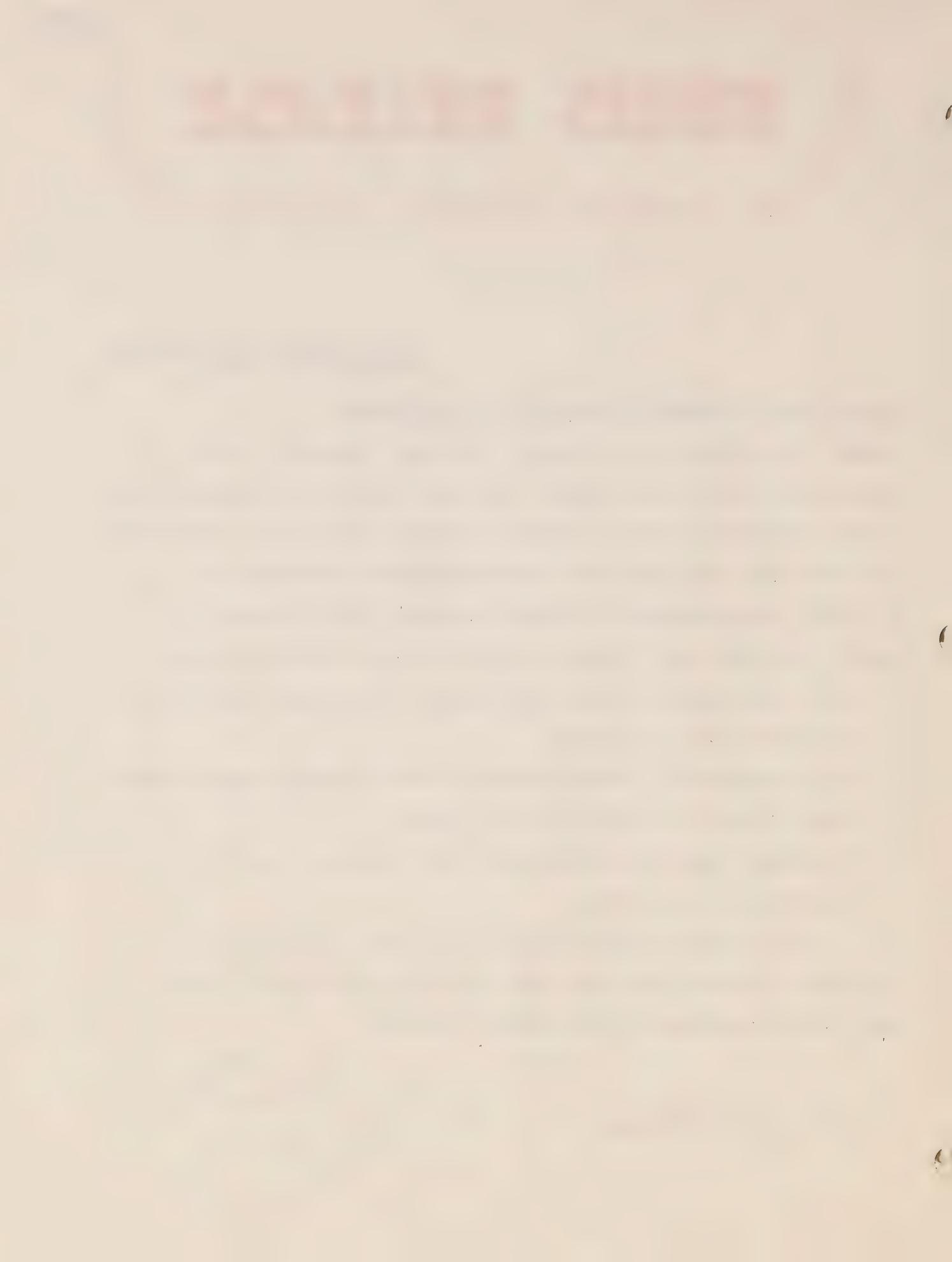
1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$42.50 to \$44.05 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, from \$31.45 to \$33.00 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$34.30 to \$35.85 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increase takes account of increased freight rates for competing crude oils and a slight decline in the value of the Canadian dollar.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of March, 1979 and until further notice he is recommending to the Governor in Council that the following tariff of charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

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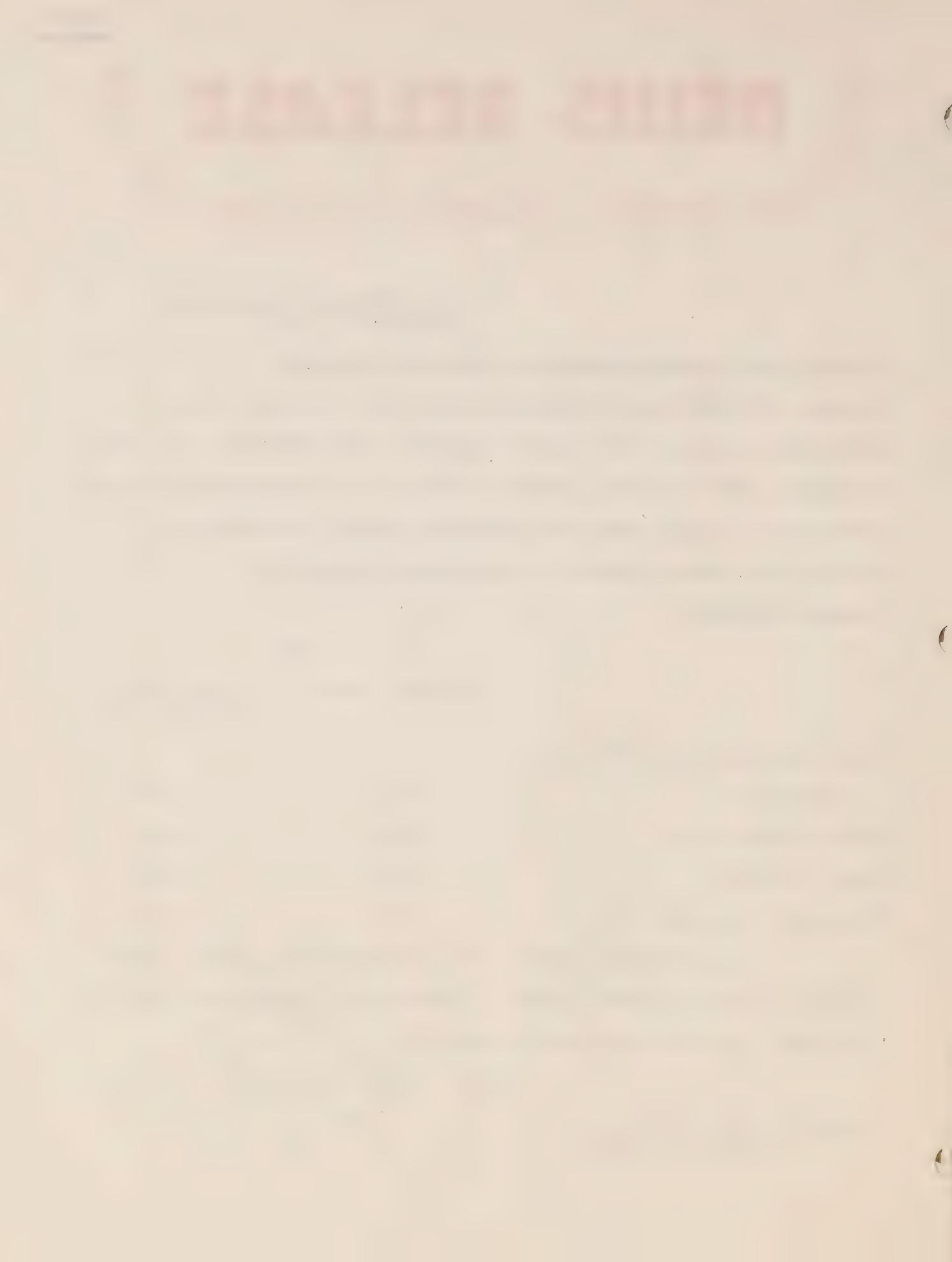
	Previous level	Level for March, 1979
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	29.90	34.60
Middle Distillate	23.60	28.30
Heavy Fuel Oil	21.70	28.00
Partially Processed Oil	40.25	41.85

Mr. Gillespie stated that the increases in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets as well as the lower value of the Canadian dollar.

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February 28, 1979

NEB RELEASES NATURAL GAS SUPPLY AND REQUIREMENTS REPORT

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today released its Report on Natural Gas Supply and Requirements which was prepared following a public inquiry held in late 1978.

The main conclusions of the Board's Report are:

1. SUPPLY - CONVENTIONAL AREAS

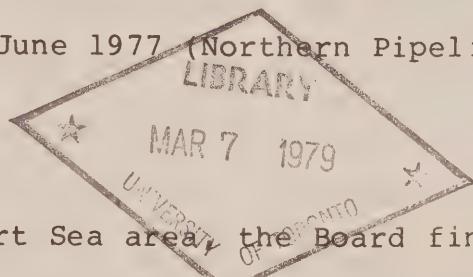
The Board's estimate of remaining established reserves of natural gas in the conventional producing areas of Canada is 66.1 Tcf (trillion cubic feet) at the end of 1978. This is 4.7 Tcf more than the Board estimated for year-end 1976 in its Reasons for Decision on Northern Pipelines, June 1977 (Northern Pipelines Report).

2. SUPPLY - FRONTIER AREAS

In the Mackenzie Delta - Beaufort Sea area, the Board finds no reason to change its estimate of 5.3 Tcf of established reserves contained in its Northern Pipelines Report.

The Board has increased its estimate of established reserves in the Arctic Islands to 9.2 Tcf from the estimate of 7.3 Tcf contained in the Northern Pipelines Report.

The Board does not believe a meaningful estimate of established reserves in the East Coast offshore areas is possible at this time.



3. REQUIREMENTS - EXISTING MARKETS

The Board estimates that growth in demand for natural gas in existing markets will average 3.0 percent per year between 1978 and 2000. For the year 1990 the forecast is some 11 percent lower than the forecast shown in the Northern Pipelines Report. This reduction results from a lower forecast of economic activity and a lower demand for natural gas for the generation of electricity than in that Report.

4. REQUIREMENTS - EXPANSION MARKETS

The Board has made an estimate of potential sales of gas in expansion markets in Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces. The attainment of the level of sales estimated for these new markets is dependent upon specific assumptions with respect to special considerations on gas prices and the disposition of surplus heavy fuel oil. The Board has made allowance for this demand as part of Canadian requirements in its surplus calculations. The justification for such expansion will require to be demonstrated in a subsequent hearing before the Board.

The Board estimates that under certain conditions, additional net sales of natural gas in its expansion scenario for Quebec and the Maritimes might be approximately 180 Bcf (billion cubic feet) in 1990, rising to some 255 Bcf in 2000. Natural gas could displace imported crude oil in new markets in Quebec and the Maritimes to the extent of 80 Mb/d (thousand barrels per day) in 1990 and 110 Mb/d in 2000, provided the aforementioned assumptions on price and heavy fuel oil disposition are valid.

5. SURPLUS

A key purpose of the Board's public inquiry was to re-examine the procedures the Board uses to determine a surplus of natural gas. During the 1960's and early 1970's the Board calculated surplus by comparing available reserves with 25 times Canadian demand in the fourth year of the forecast, plus authorized exports. This was commonly known as the 25A4 formula. In its report of April 1975 on its inquiry into gas supply and demand held in the winter of 1974/75, the Board commented that the rate at which reserves could be produced ("deliverability") had become the limiting factor in meeting requirements and that a test based solely on the inventory of reserves could not ensure that growing Canadian requirements could be met.

The Board has now concluded that surplus should be determined by using the following three tests, all of which would have to be met before the Board would deem a surplus to exist:

1) The Current Deliverability Test

This test would be based on the level of deliveries possible each year from reserves which have already been found ("established reserves"). For there to be a surplus, deliverability from these established reserves would have to be able to meet annual Canadian requirements plus authorized exports for a minimum period of five years. If this minimum period of assured supply could not be satisfied, there would be no surplus. Gas could be declared surplus to the extent there would be estimated spare deliverability over and above Canadian requirements plus authorized exports.

2) The Current Reserves Test

This test would compare the inventory of reserves already found with 25 times this year's Canadian demand plus authorized exports. If the available established reserves were less than these requirements, no surplus would be available. If reserves exceeded these requirements, the amount of the excess could be declared surplus.

3) The Future Deliverability Test

This test would be based on the level of deliveries possible each year from established reserves plus estimated future additions to these reserves. Deliverability from these reserves would have to be able to meet annual Canadian requirements plus authorized exports for some ten years into the future; otherwise, no surplus would exist. If forecast deliverability exceeded requirements, the amount of the excess could be declared surplus. In summary, the three tests are:

1) Current Deliverability Test

SUPPLY - Annual Deliverability from Established Reserves

Minus

DEMAND - Annual Canadian Requirements Plus Authorized
Exports for at Least Five Years into Future

Equals

SURPLUS

2) Current Reserves Test

SUPPLY - Current Inventory of Reserves

Minus

DEMAND - Canadian Requirements for the Current Year X 25
Plus Authorized Exports

Equals

SURPLUS

3) Future Deliverability Test

SUPPLY - Annual Deliverability from Established Reserves
and Estimated Additions to Reserves

Minus

DEMAND - Annual Canadian Requirements Plus Authorized
Exports for Some Ten Years into Future

Equals

SURPLUS

If a surplus were found to exist under all three tests, the Board would then consider applications to export all or a portion of this surplus. If these applied-for exports depended only on deliverability from reserves already found, the Board would consider granting firm export licences. For any portion of the period for which applied-for exports depended on deliverability from established reserves plus estimated future additions to reserves, the Board would only grant conditional export licences. That is, if the ability to deliver gas from additions to reserves turned out to be less or if Canadian requirements proved to be greater than had been estimated when the licence was granted, these conditional exports could be reduced or revoked.

The addition of the deliverability tests provides a degree of protection to Canadian consumers that did not exist under the previous procedure. That is, before allowing exports, the Board now requires not only that there is a sufficient quantity of natural gas in the ground to meet future Canadian needs, but also that the capability exists or will exist to produce this gas for the actual Canadian consumer. While the reserves test has been

made less stringent, 25A1 rather than 25A4, the overall protection for Canadian requirements provided by the new procedure is greater because of the deliverability standards that are imposed.

In its Report, the Board has illustrated the operation of its new procedure for determining the amount of surplus. Because of the Deliverability Tests the surplus found could vary somewhat, depending upon the pattern of the annual export quantities and the term of the export being considered. The Board found that surplus gas exists and that the approximate volume of the surplus is 2 Tcf which could be exported over a period of approximately eight years.

6. Ethane

The Board has concluded that ethane should be treated as a separate product, as are ethylene, propane and butanes, in the determination of gas surplus.

It was not the purpose of the inquiry to consider and determine any gas export applications; however, the Board expects that its findings on surplus reserves and deliverability will form the basis for considering specific export applications in subsequent proceedings.

In the course of the inquiry the Board received 89 written submissions. All provinces, except Prince Edward Island, were represented, as were the two major petroleum industry associations, CPA and IPAC. The inquiry occupied 26 days and resulted in some 6000 pages of transcript.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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March 2, 1979

NEB SETS ETHANE EXPORT HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on an application by Dome Petroleum Limited to export ethane to the United States.

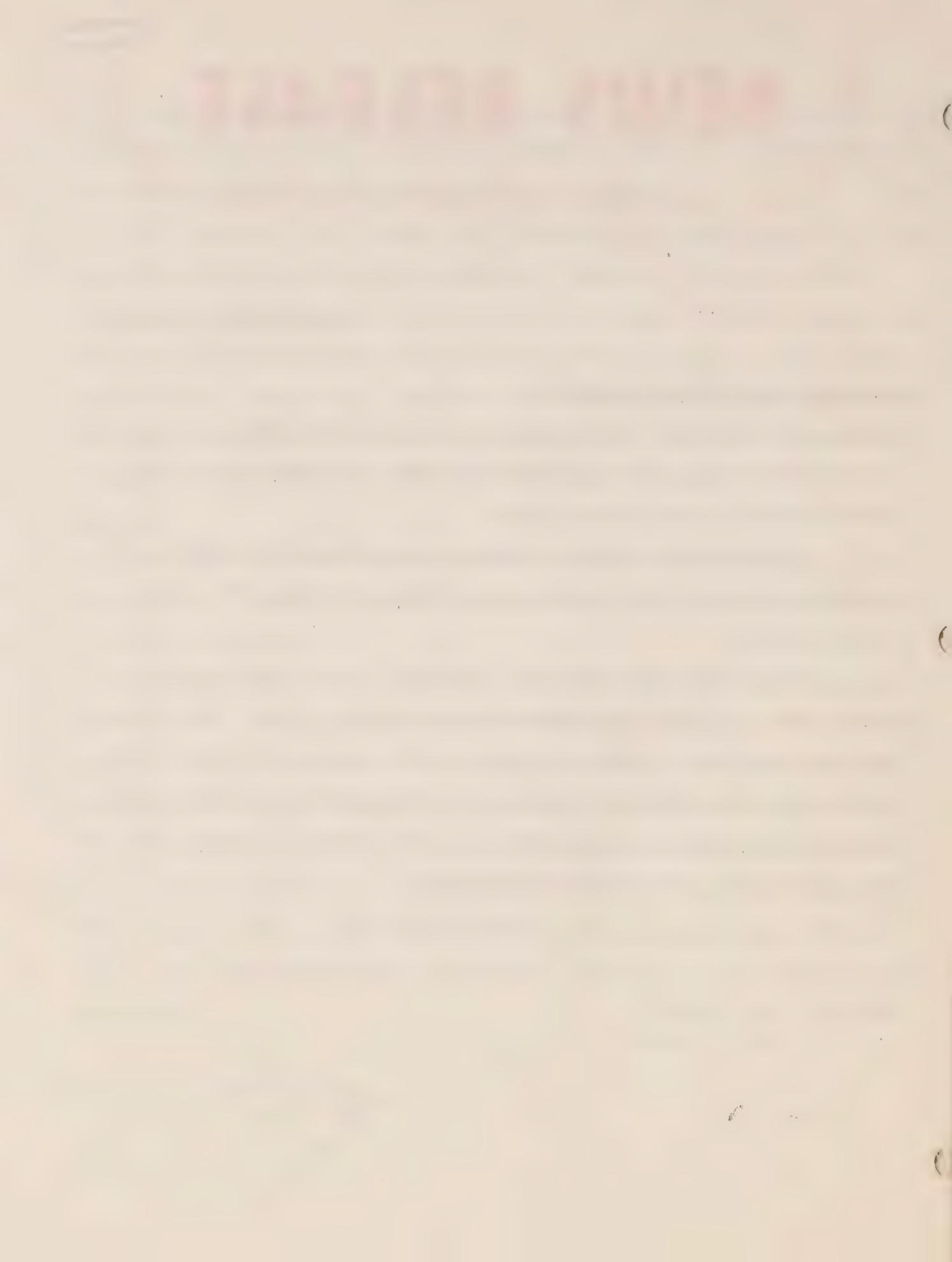
The hearing is set to commence on Wednesday 4 April, 1979, at 9:30 a.m. local time in Room 360, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa.

Dome Petroleum proposes to export 132 750 000 barrels of ethane over a 15 year term commencing January 1, 1979. The ethane would be purchased by Dome in Alberta and transported through the Cochin pipeline system for subsequent disposition to Columbia LNG Corporation at Green Springs, Ohio. A deadline of 23 March 1979 has been set for the filing of interventions.

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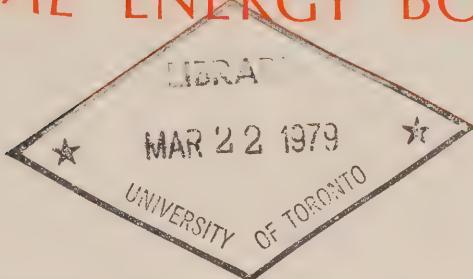
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March 13, 1979.

APPOINTMENT OF GEOFFREY YORKE SLADER AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY, NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

OTTAWA - Mr. J.G. Stabback, Chairman of the National Energy Board, announced today that the Public Service Commission had appointed Mr. Geoffrey Yorke Slader as Assistant Secretary of the National Energy Board.

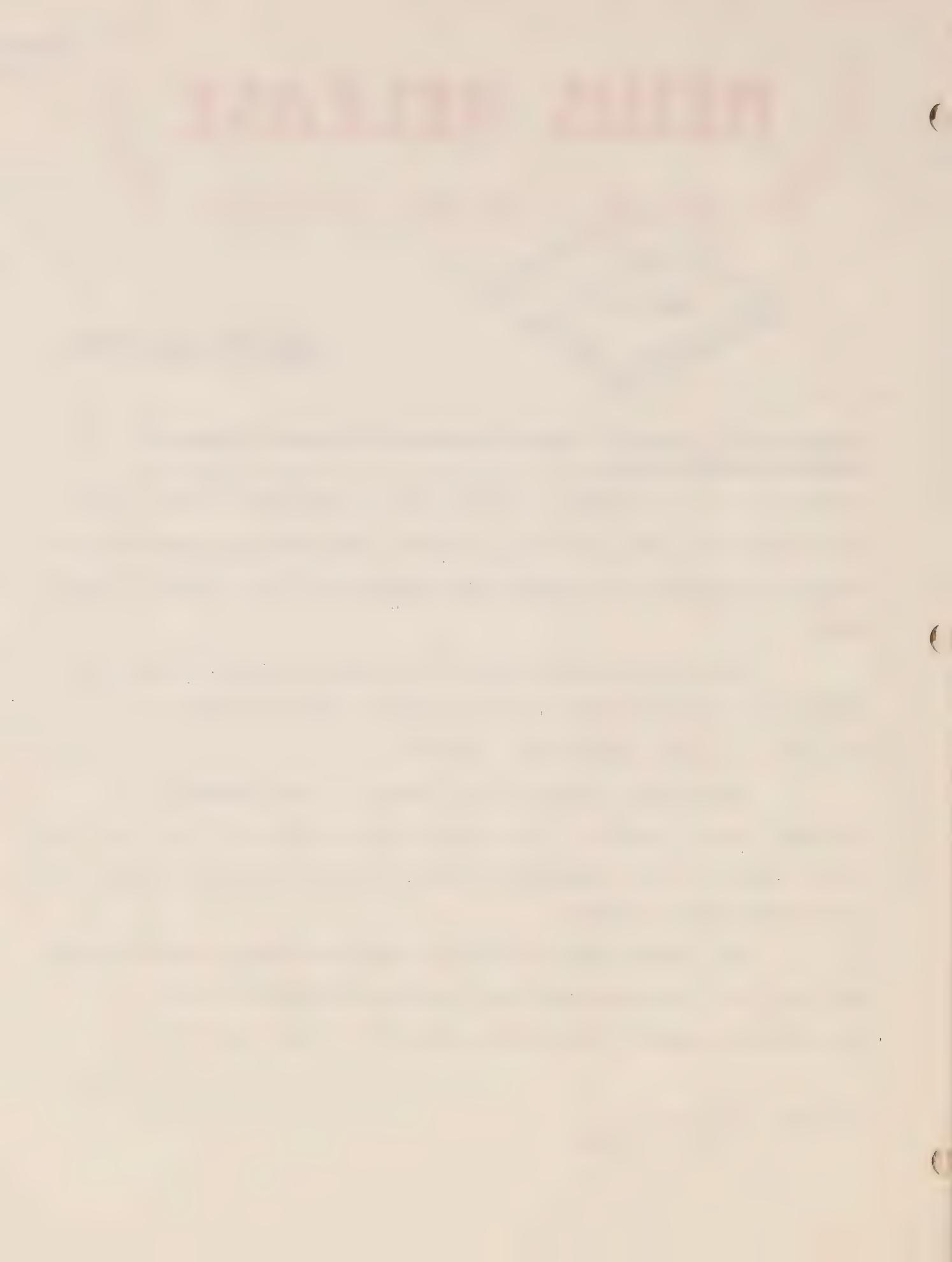
Mr. Yorke Slader graduated in Electrical Engineering from McGill University in 1945 and received his Masters degree in Engineering, also from McGill, in 1947.

During the course of his career he was employed with Gatineau Power Company as the System Planning Engineer and with Hydro Quebec where he was in charge of system planning for the western part of the Province of Quebec.

Mr. Yorke Slader joined the National Energy Board in 1969 and prior to his appointment as Assistant Secretary he was the Assistant Director - Operations, of the Electric Power Branch.

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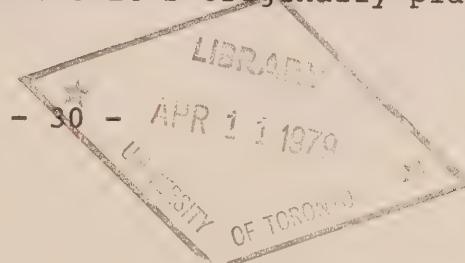
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APRIL EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

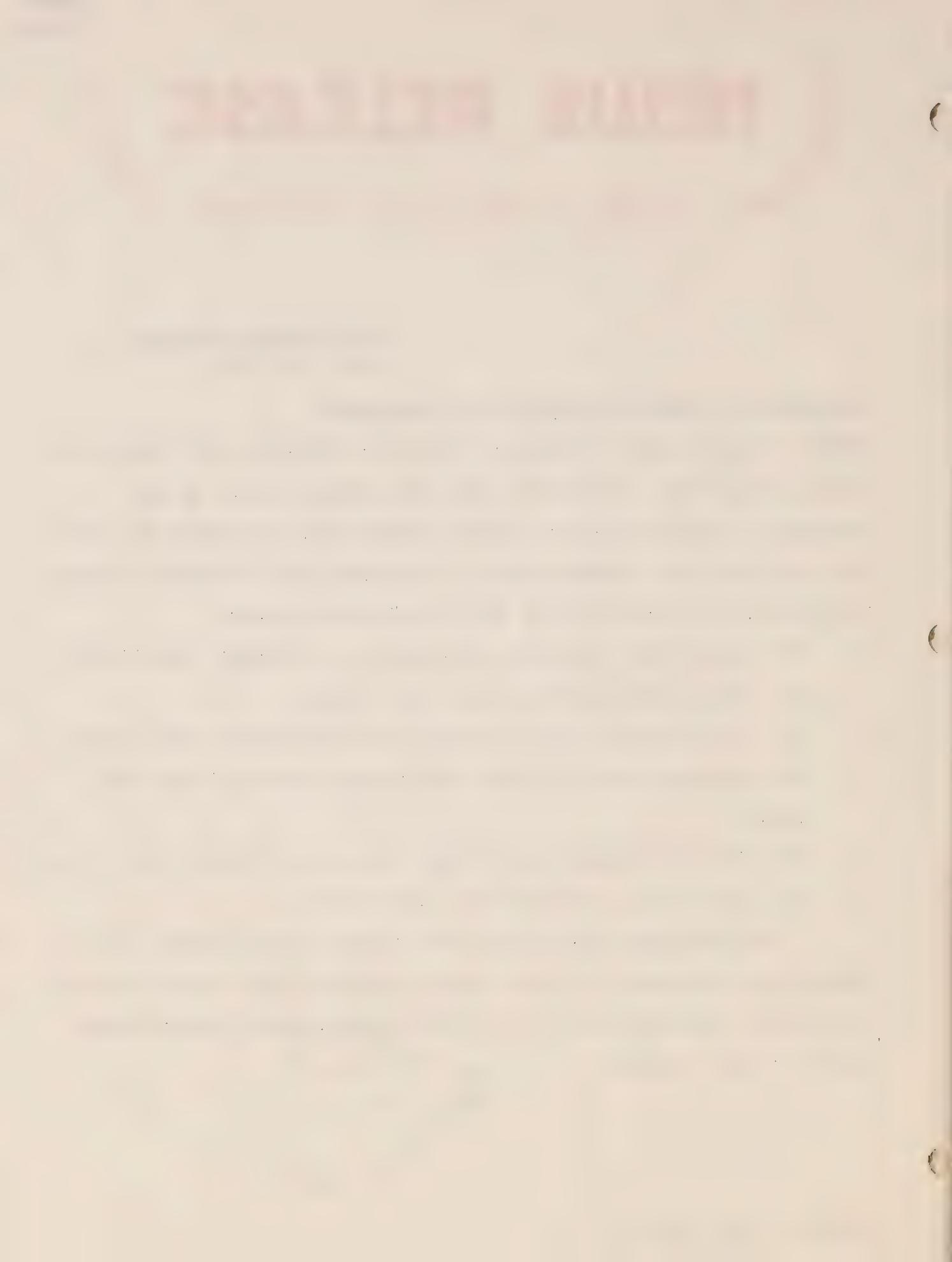
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his recommendation to the Governor in Council that the charges applicable to exports of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of April, 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$44.05 per cubic metre to \$50.35 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$33.00 per cubic metre to \$36.20 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy crude oils, and increase from \$35.85 per cubic metre to \$39.00 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increase takes account of substantial increases in first quarter official and contract prices for foreign crude oils as well as OPEC's originally-planned second quarter price increase.



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NEB TO HOLD TRANSCANADA RATES HEARING

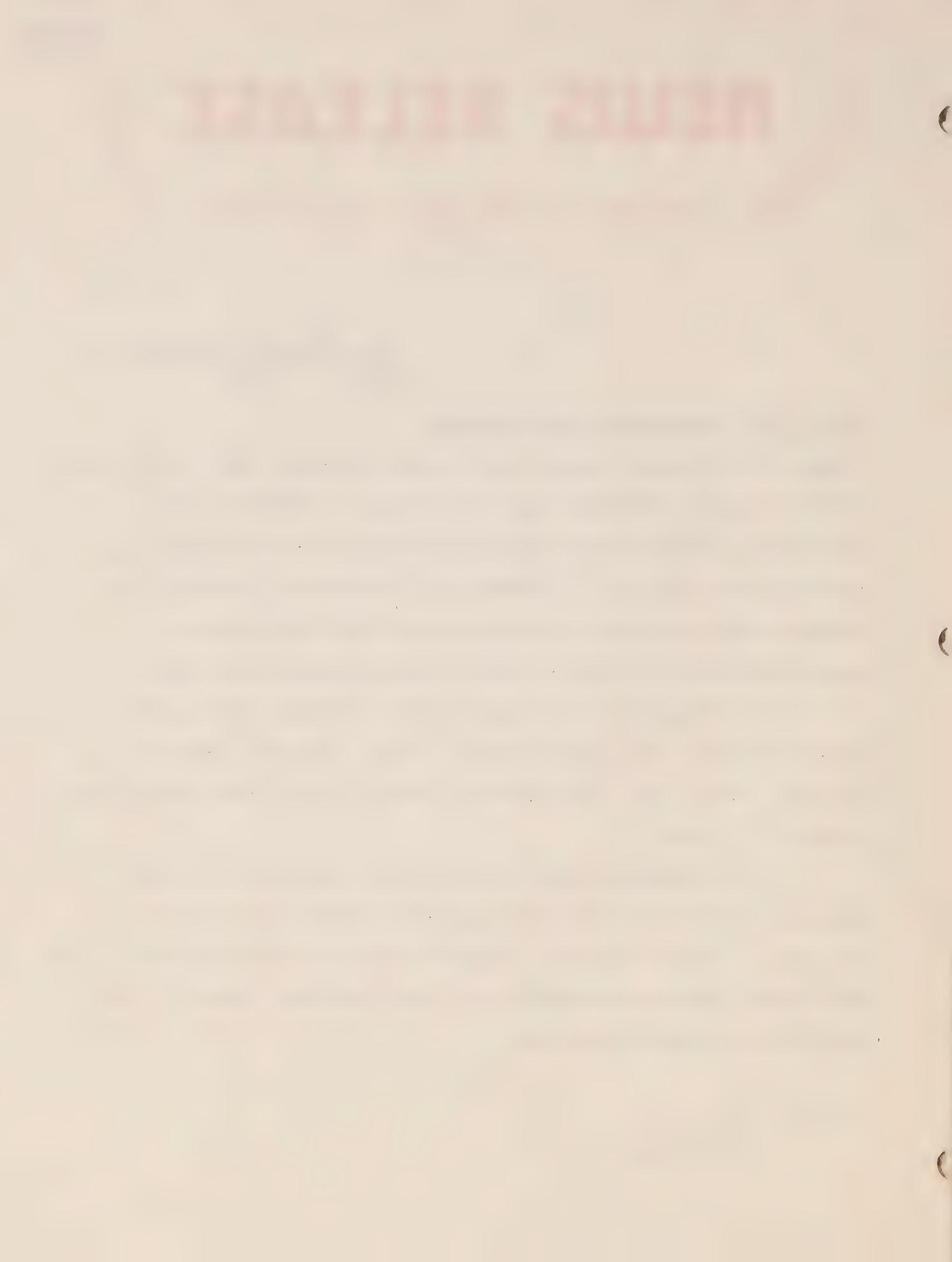
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing, starting May 15 in Ottawa, concerning an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for an increase in existing rates or tolls in respect of gas sold in Canada and for transportation services to Saskatchewan Power Corporation, Consolidated Natural Gas Limited and Gaz Métropolitain, inc.

The Hearing will be held in the 9th Floor Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, commencing at 9:30 a.m. local time. The deadline for the filing of interventions is April 27, 1979.

TransCanada has applied for rates based on a Toronto reference price of \$2.00386 per gigajoule (\$2.15 per million Btu). The cost of service includes a rate of return on rate base of 11.22%. The Toronto reference price for gas upon which the rates are now based is \$2.00 per million Btu.

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NEB TO HEAR WESTCOAST MAINLINE LOOPING APPLICATION

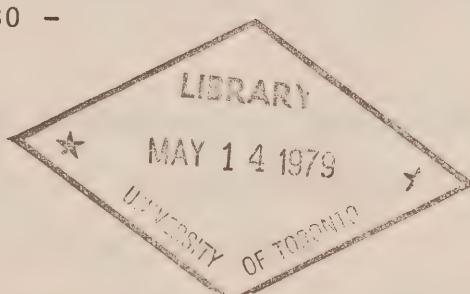
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hear an application by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited for a certificate to expand its existing main pipeline facilities. The hearing will be held in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, on Tuesday, June 5, 1979 at 9:30 a.m. local time.

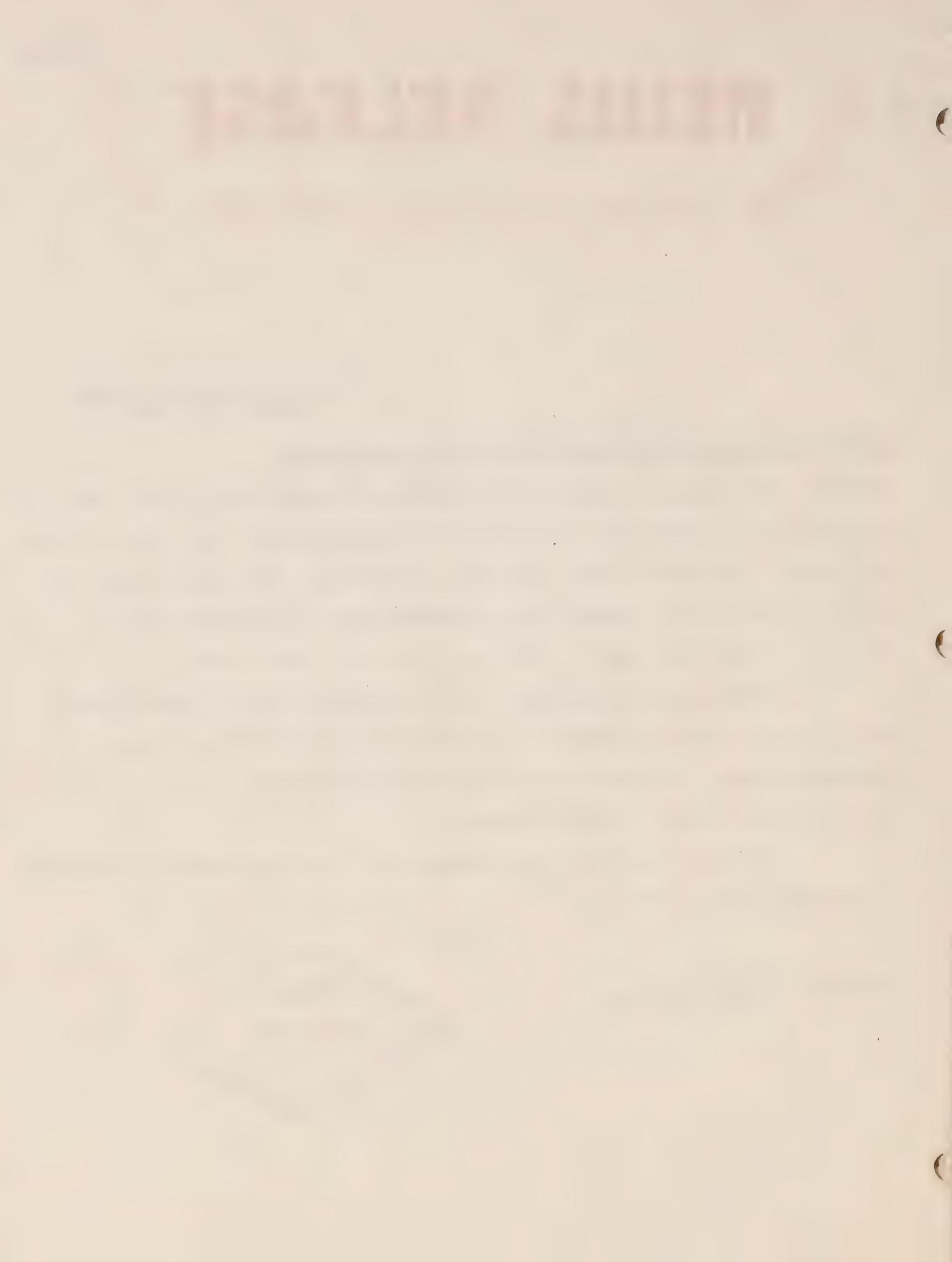
Westcoast has applied for the construction of approximately 86.745 km of 914.4 mm diameter gas transmission pipeline in nine separate loops in various locations in the districts of Peace River, Cariboo and Yale in British Columbia.

The deadline for the submission of interventions has been set at Friday, May 25, 1979.

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April 18, 1979.

NEB RELEASES PROPOSED METHOD FOR THE REGULATION OF TOLLS AND TARIFFS OF THE FOOTHILLS PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that a document detailing its proposed method for the regulation of tolls and tariffs of the Canadian portion of the Northern Pipeline is available to interested persons.

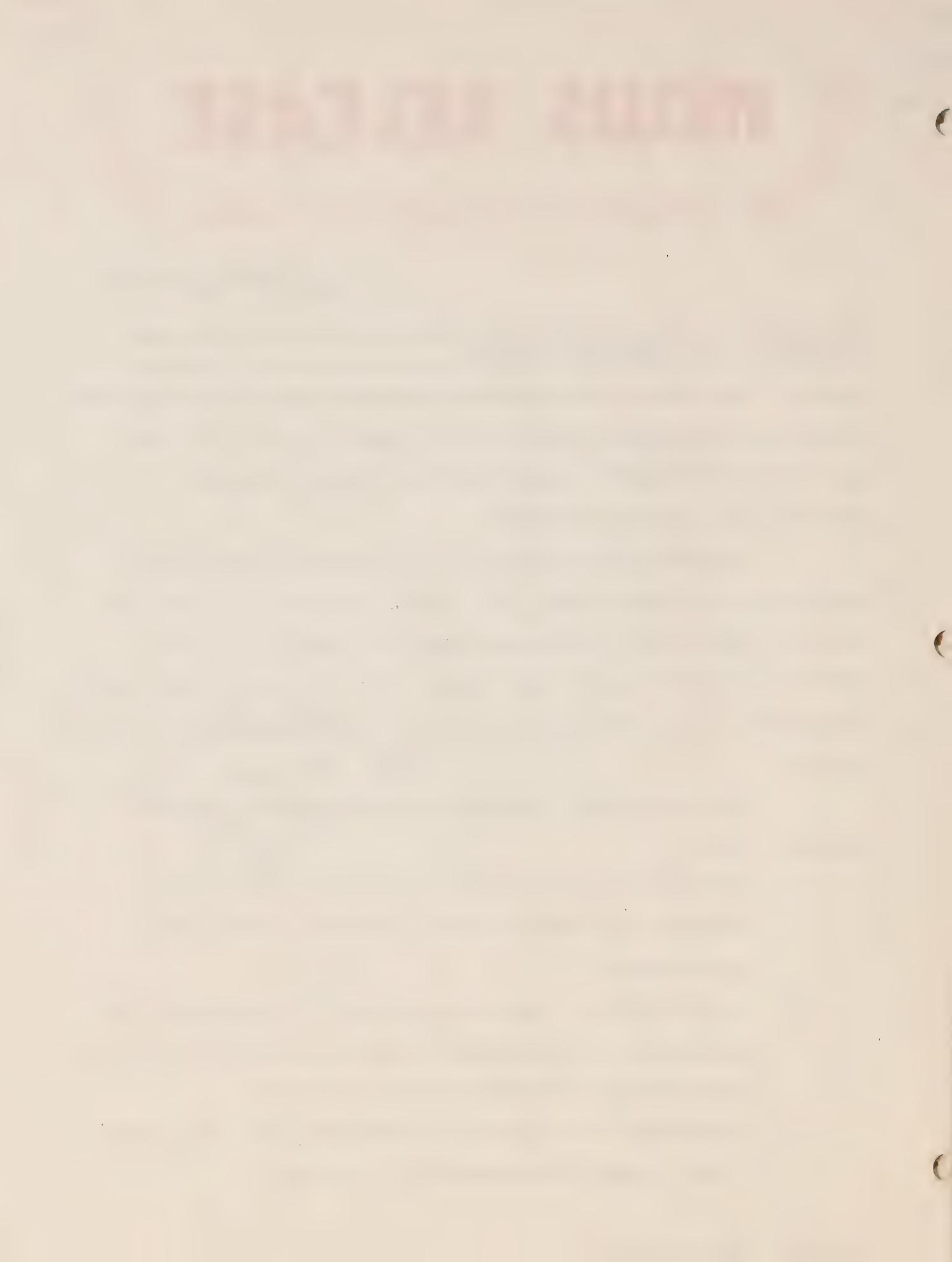
Pursuant to Section 34 of the Northern Pipeline Act, Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. filed, on March 21, 1979, the form and content of its proposed tolls and tariffs for the pipeline. The filing did not contain the actual costs that would be charged. The draft tariff filed is a "cost of service" form of tariff.

The purposes of the Board's preliminary regulatory proposal are:

1. to enable the Board to determine the methods and parameters for computing the tolls and tariffs for the pipeline;
2. to provide for a form of regulation in Canada that will facilitate U.S. acceptance of the principle of tracking transportation charges incurred in Canada;
3. to provide for a tariff in a form that will facilitate private sector financing of the pipeline.

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April 18, 1979.

NEB TO HOLD FOOTHILLS NORTHERN PIPELINE TARIFFS HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing concerning the tolls and tariffs to be charged for the Canadian portion of the Northern Gas Pipeline by Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd., in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, on Tuesday, June 12, 1979.

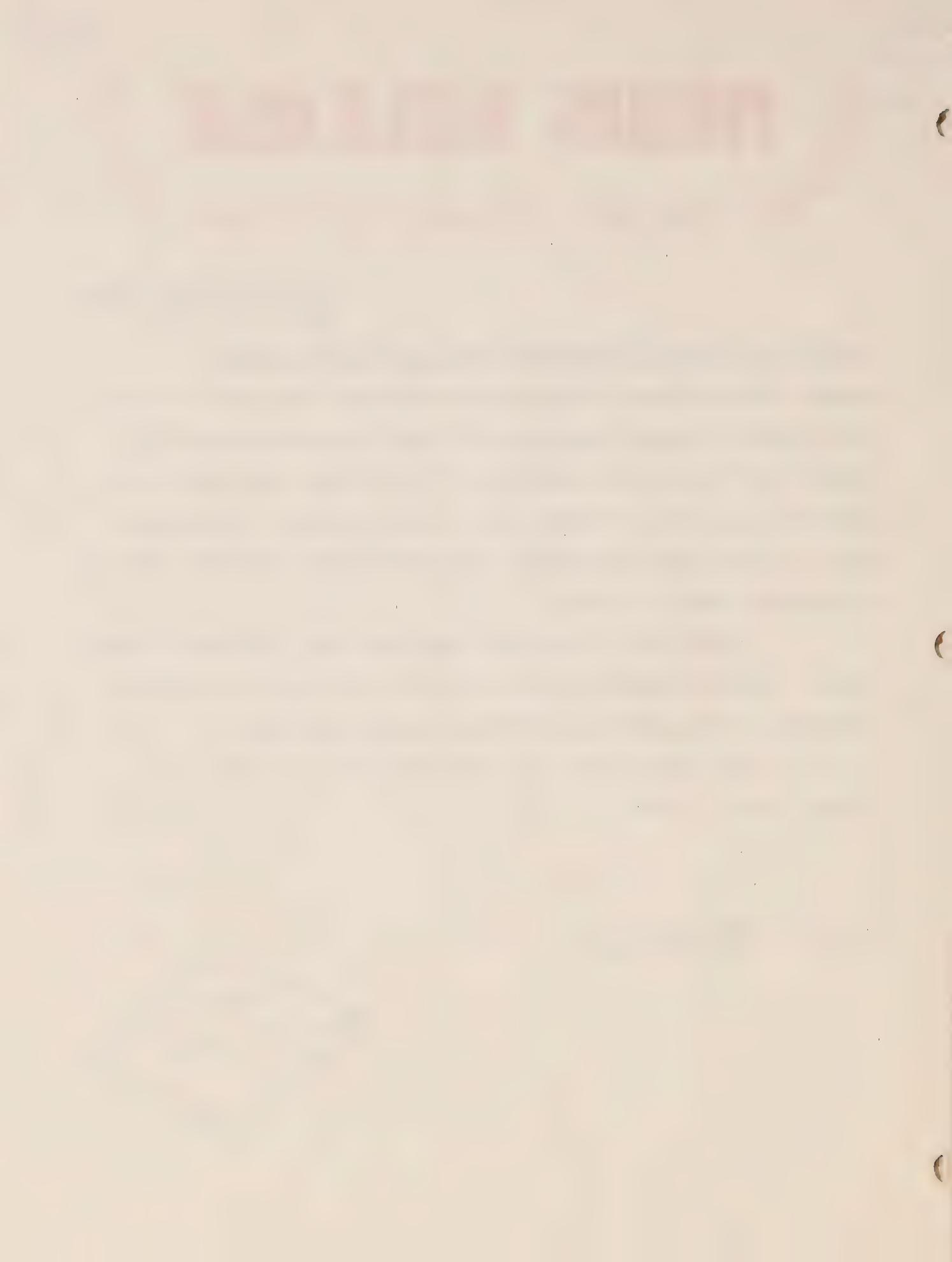
In addition to the tolls and tariffs, the Board intends to hear evidence respecting the Incentive Rate of Return scheme, financing of the pipeline and other related matters.

The deadline for the submission of interventions is Friday, June 1, 1979.

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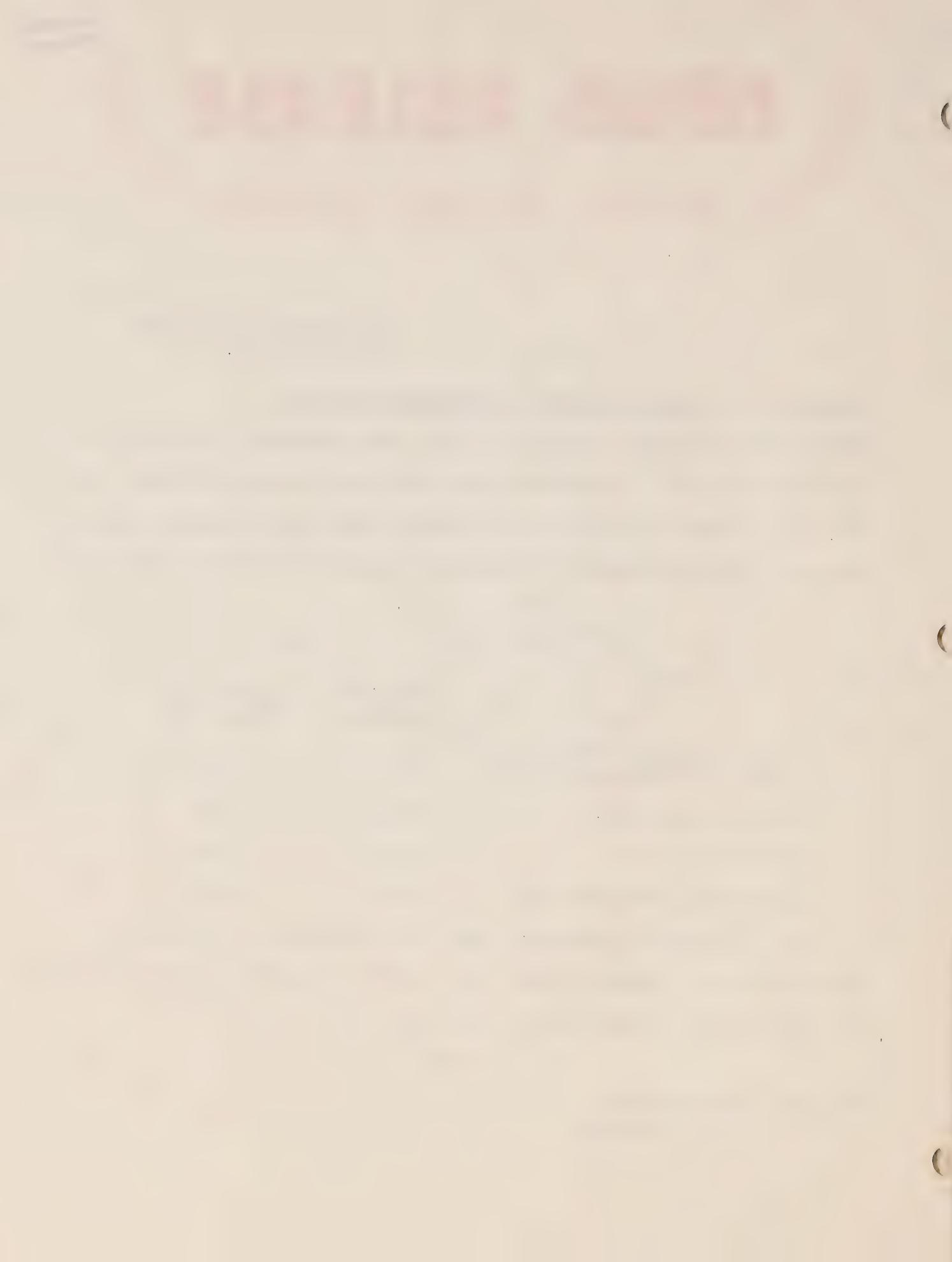
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today that for the month of May, 1979 and until further notice he is proposing that the following charges apply to licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

	MAY 4 1979	Previous Level	\$/m ³	Level for
				May, 1979
motor gasoline and gasoline components		36.20		39.35
middle distillate		28.30		34.60
heavy fuel oil		35.85		39.00
partially processed oil		48.15		60.75

Mr. Gillespie indicated that the increases in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets as well as the increased value of the Canadian dollar.

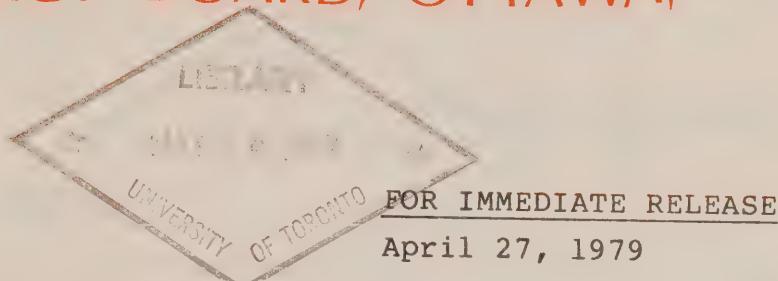
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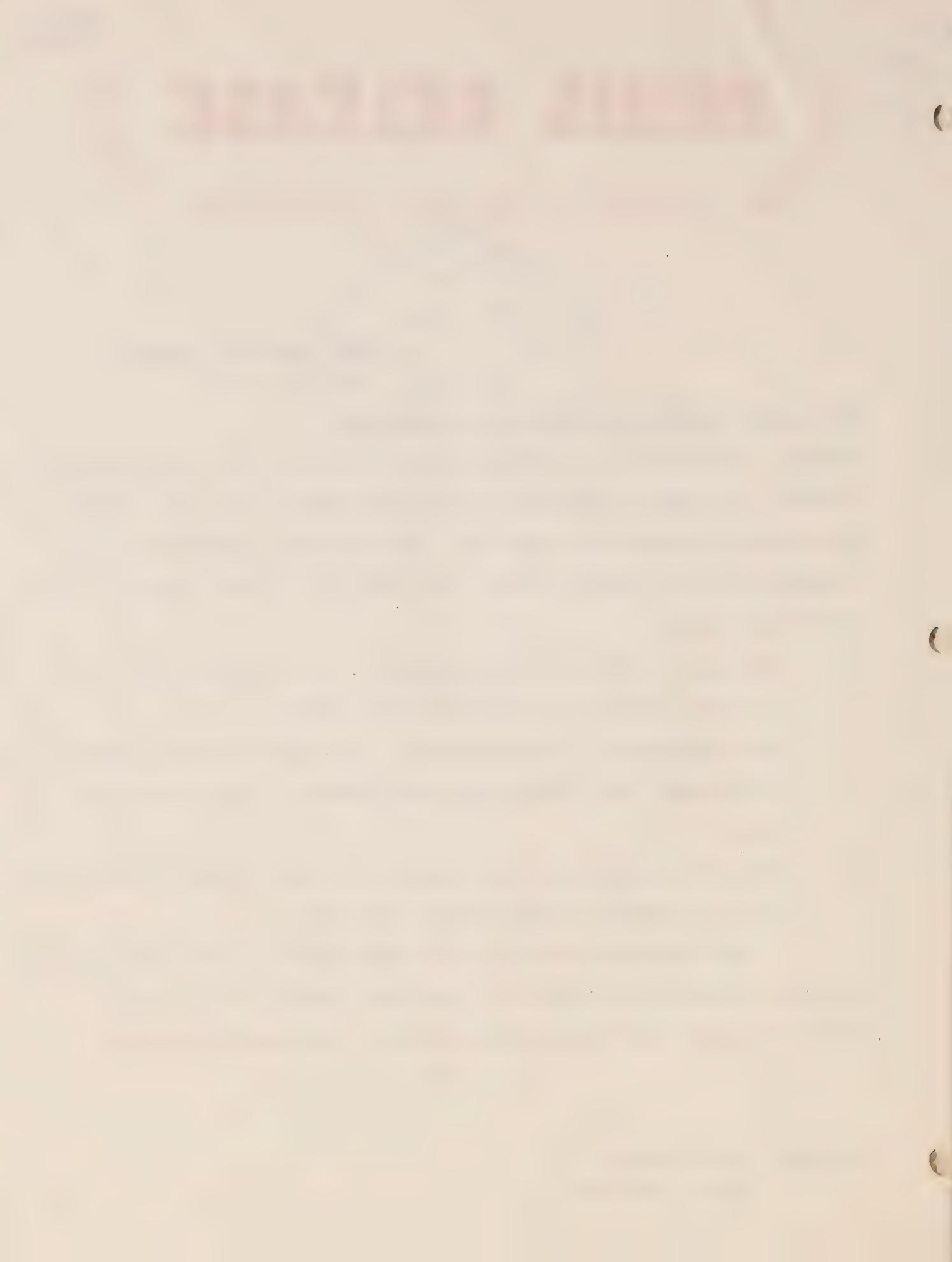


MAY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair Gillespie, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of May, 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$50.35 per cubic metre to \$62.95 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$36.20 per cubic metre to \$39.35 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy crude oils, and increase from \$39.00 per cubic metre to \$42.15 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increases in the export charges reflect current price levels of competing crude oils in United States' markets and the increased value of the Canadian dollar.

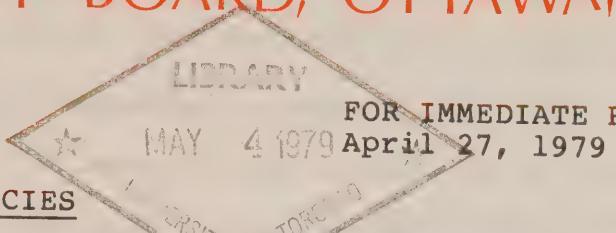


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CONTINUITY OF OIL POLICIES

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Alastair W. Gillespie, announced today that he is dispatching the following message to members of the Canadian oil industry:

- "1. On dissolution of Parliament, there died on the Order Paper the ways and means motion agreed to on March 16, regarding an increase to \$15.00 per barrel in the maximum level of export charges under the Petroleum Administration Act.
2. Accordingly there is for the time being no specific statutory authority to levy export charges in excess of \$8.00 per barrel.
3. Pending the introduction of appropriate legislation in the next Parliament to set a new maximum and in continued implementation of established oil policies, the Government of Canada now requests all companies that export Canadian oil to which such charges apply to continue to collect charges thereon at levels to be advised monthly, even when such levels are in excess of the current \$8.00 per barrel maximum. The Government of Canada further requests that the monies so collected in respect of such excess be remitted to the Receiver General for Canada pending parliamentary action to ratify such higher charges. If appropriate parliamentary sanction is not obtained, the excess monies so collected will be refunded.

4. By telexes from me to be dispatched shortly, you will be advised of the relevant levels of export charge for exports to be made in the month of May, of the specific excesses of charge to which the foregoing requests relate and of export charges that do not exceed the maximum."

The Minister explained that the need for charges in excess of the previous maximum of \$8.00 a barrel arose from the recent sharp increases in world oil prices following the Iranian revolution and the various recent decisions of members of OPEC. Mr. Gillespie remarked that somewhat similar requests had been made in May, 1974 by the Minister, the Honourable Donald S. Macdonald.

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April 27, 1979

NEB SETS DOWN DOW CHEMICAL APPLICATION TO EXPORT INTERRUPTIBLE ENERGY

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hear, on Tuesday May 29, 1979 at 9:30 a.m. in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Room 360, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, an application by Dow Chemical of Canada, Limited, for a licence to export interruptible electric energy from its plant at Sarnia, Ontario.

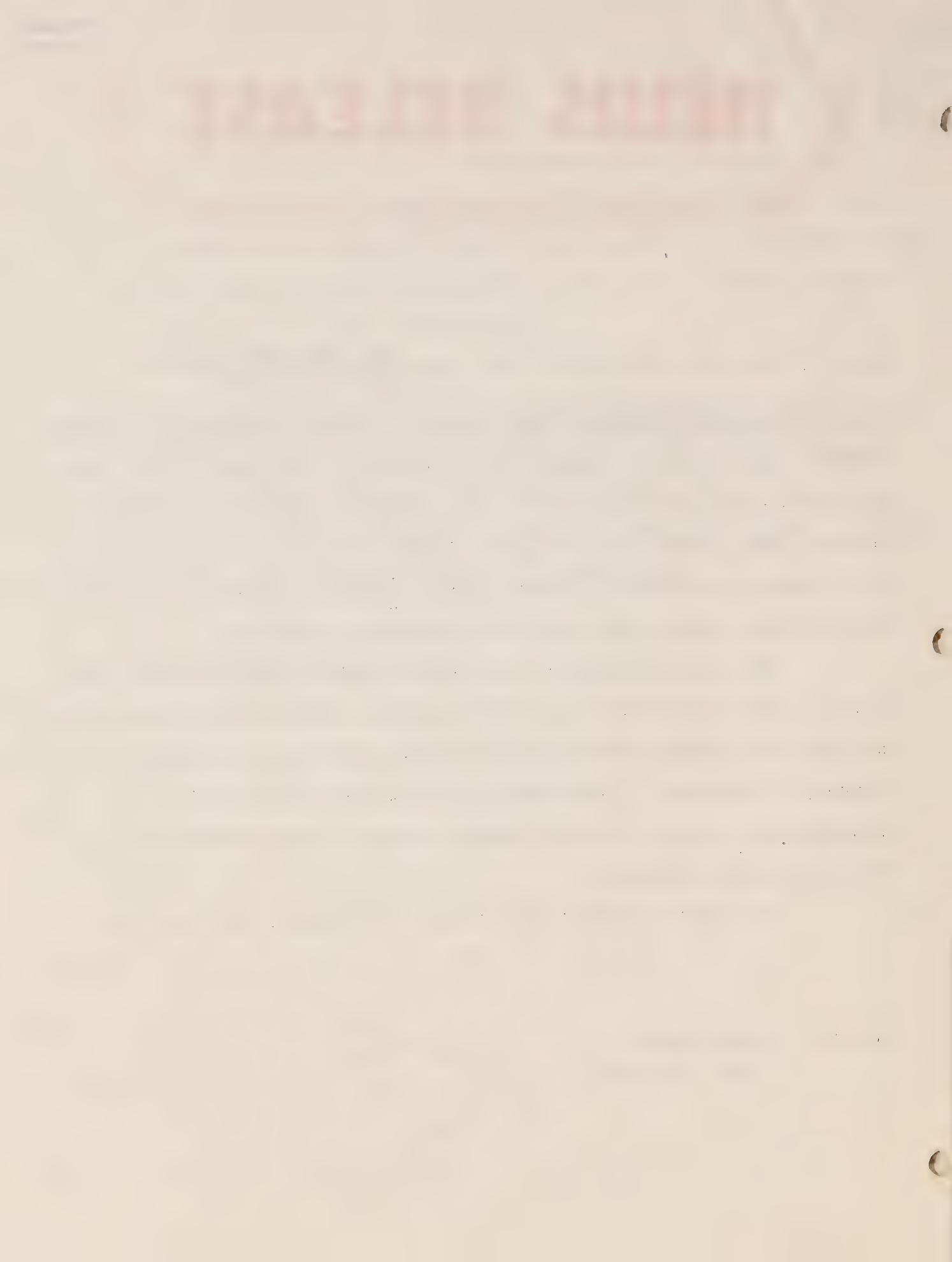
Dow has applied for a three-year, seven-month licence from June 1, 1979 to December 31, 1982 to export 438,000,000 kilowatthours per year of surplus interruptible electric energy to Dow Chemical Company of Michigan. The energy would be wheeled over the transmission lines of Ontario Hydro, Detroit Edison Company and Consumers Power Company.

The deadline for interventions is Tuesday, May 22, 1979.

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NEB APPROVES ST. LAWRENCE POWER ELECTRICITY EXPORTS

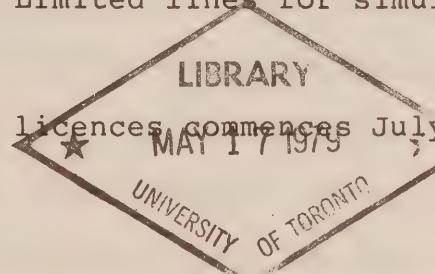
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has granted to St. Lawrence Power Company three licences for the export of electric power and energy.

The first licence is for the export of up to 40 megawatts of firm power and up to 250 gigawatthours of energy as a carrier transfer through the United States for immediate return to Canada. There is no net export.

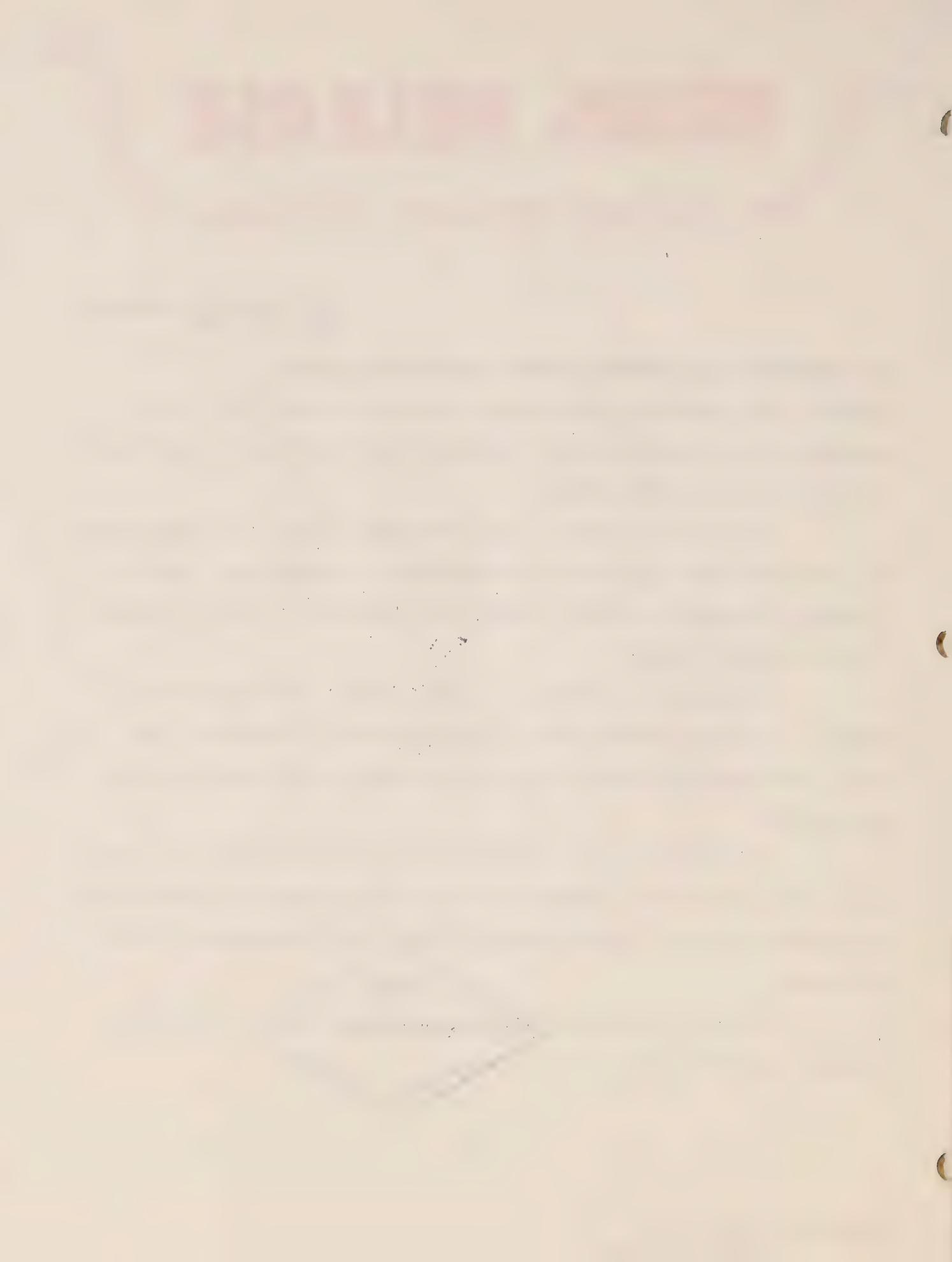
The second licence is for the export of interruptible energy to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation of the State of New York. The maximum quantity exportable under this licence is 150 GW.h a year.

The third licence authorizes the export of up to 150 GW.h a year of inadvertent unscheduled circulating energy on the Cedars Rapids Transmission Company Limited lines for simultaneous return to Canada.

Each of the three licences commences July 1, 1979 and expires June 30, 1984.



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May 10, 1979

NEB SETS DATE FOR OMNIBUS GAS EXPORTS AND NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has set Tuesday, July 10, 1979 as the date to commence the hearing of 11 natural gas export applications and two natural gas pipeline applications - collectively known as the "Omnibus" hearing.

The proceedings will open in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, at 9:00 A.M. local time. The times and locations of the hearing in other parts of Canada will be announced later.

Both the natural gas export applications and the two natural gas facilities applications will be dealt with in the one hearing. The Board, however, has decided to commence the hearing with the export applications because of indications from the eastern provinces that they will require more time to assess the applications for pipeline facilities which will be passing through Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The Board had hoped to start the hearing in mid-June but due to the late filing of certain portions of the various applications and the requirement to give adequate notice to the public, the date of July 10 has been selected.

In the first phase of the hearing (the "Licence Phase"), the Board will hear evidence concerning the applications for export

licences from Alberta and Southern Gas Co. Ltd., Canadian-Montana Pipe Line Company, Columbia Gas Development of Canada Ltd., ICG Transmission Limited, Niagara Gas Transmission Limited, ProGas Limited, Sulpetro Limited, and Westcoast Transmission Company Limited, and a joint application for an export licence made by Consolidated Natural Gas Limited, Pan-Alberta Gas Ltd. and TransCanada PipeLines Limited. The Board will also hear, in this phase, an application by ICG Transmission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

The second phase of the hearing (the "Certificate Phase"), will consider applications by Q & M Pipe Lines Ltd. and TransCanada PipeLines Limited to extend a natural gas pipeline in Quebec to the Maritimes.

The deadline for interventions has been set at close of business Friday, June 8, 1979.

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JUNE EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today his view that the charges applicable to exports of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of June 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

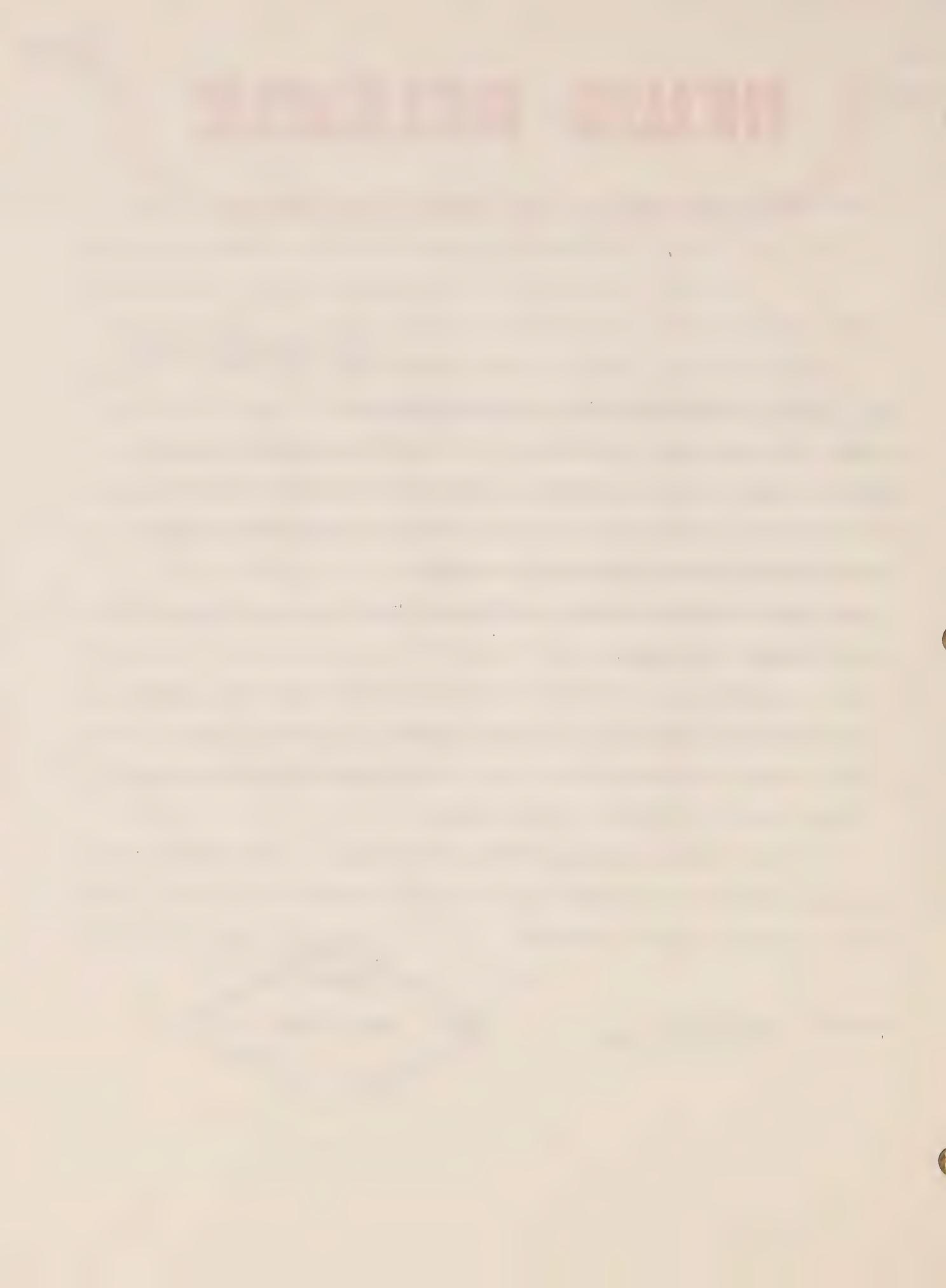
1. For light crude oils and condensate, \$62.95 a cubic metre (i.e. no change from May).
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$39.35 a cubic metre to \$45.65 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$42.15 per cubic metre to \$48.45 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increase in the export charge for heavy crude oil reflects current price levels of competing crude oils in United States' markets.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of June, 1979 and until further notice he is proposing that the following charges apply to licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

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	Previous level	Level for June, 1979
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	39.35	50.35
Middle Distillate	34.60	47.20
Heavy Fuel Oil	39.00	39.00
Partially Processed Oil	60.75	60.75

Mr. Gillespie stated that the increases in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of July, 1979 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

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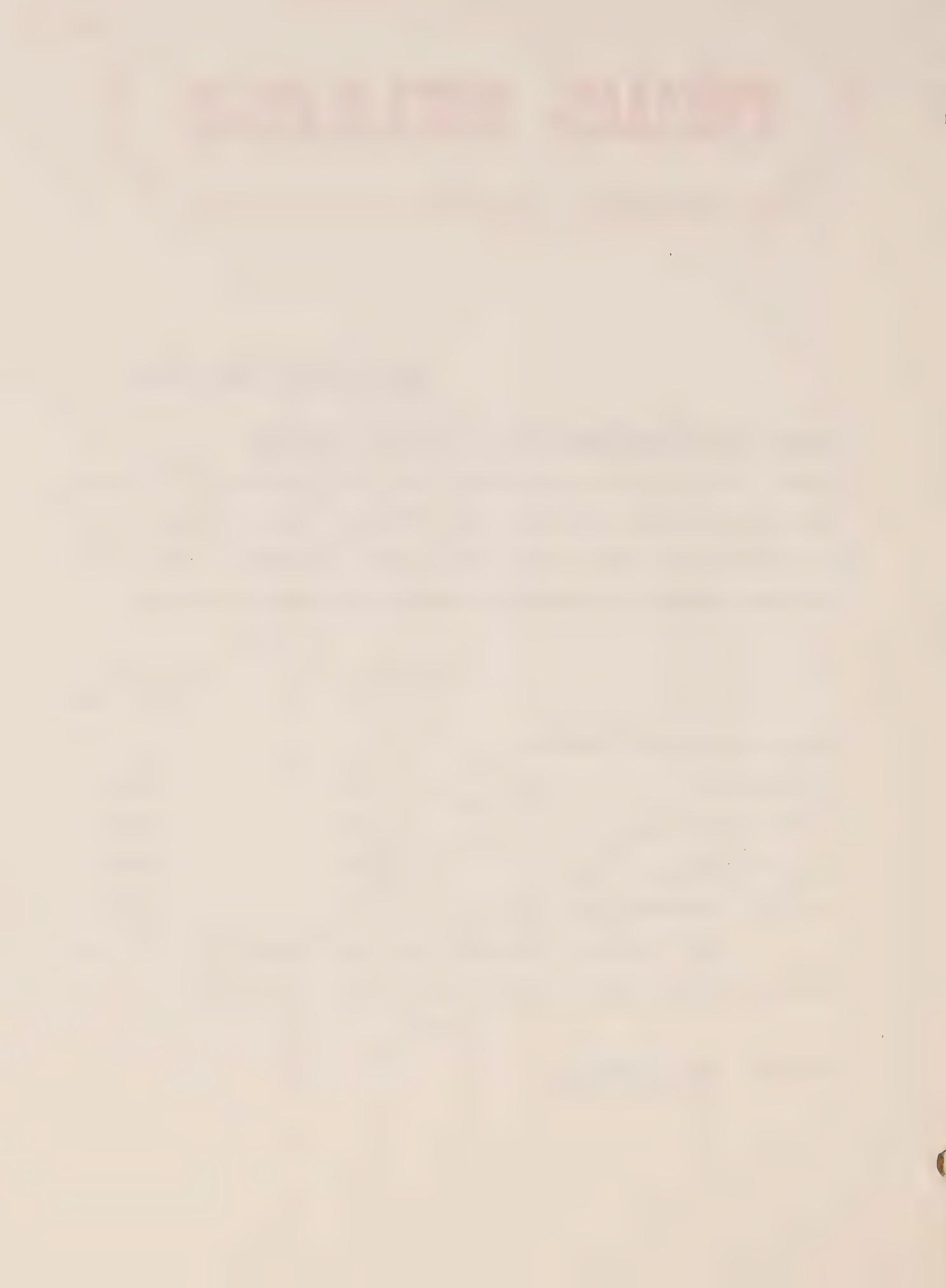
	Previous level	Level for July, 1979
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	50.35	58.20
Middle Distillate	47.20	58.20
Heavy Fuel Oil	39.00	47.20
Partially Processed Oil	60.75	79.60

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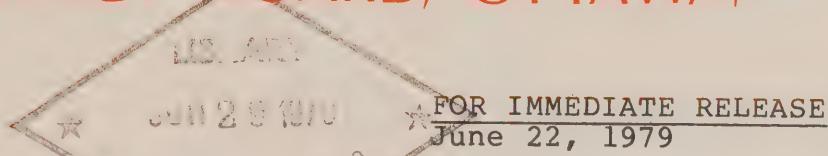


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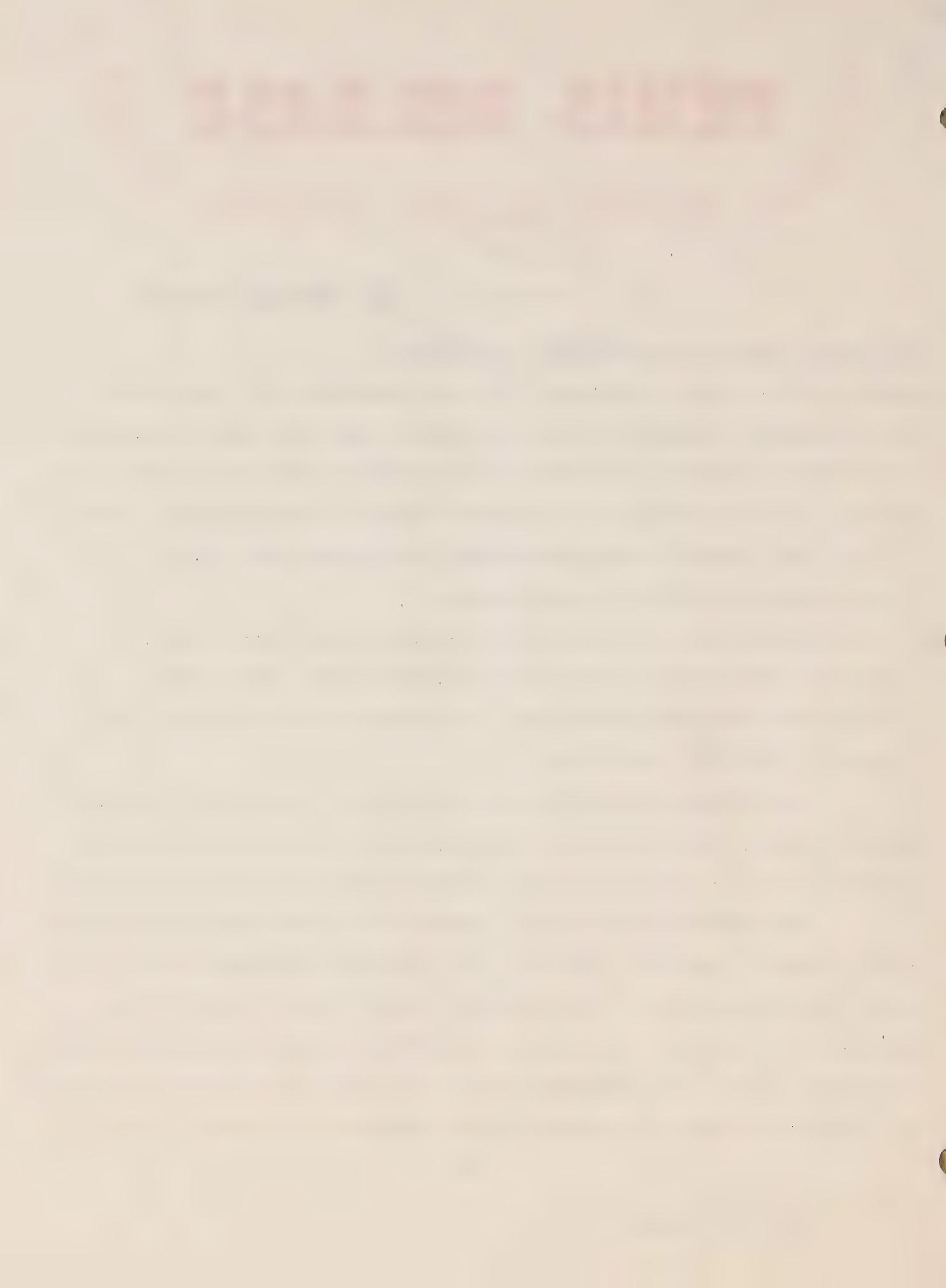
JULY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ramon Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of July 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$62.95 a cubic metre to \$81.85 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$45.65 a cubic metre to \$58.25 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$48.45 per cubic metre to \$61.05 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increases in the export charges reflects current price levels of competing crude oils in United States markets as well as a decline in the exchange value of the Canadian dollar.

The Minister stated that, because of the forthcoming increases in the prices of Canadian crude oil also scheduled to become effective on 1 July, exporters will in fact be liable to pay charges lower by the amount of the increases in respect of oil entering export pipeline systems on or after July 1. Mr. Hnatyshyn noted that similar reductions have been made in earlier cases of a general price increase for domestic crude oil.



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NEB ISSUES ETHANE EXPORT LICENCE TO DOME PETROLEUM

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has granted a licence to Dome Petroleum Limited for the export of a total of 120,709,000 barrels of ethane. The term of the licence is for a period beginning on the date of approval by Governor in Council until December 31, 1993.

The volume of ethane requested for export was 132,750,000 barrels. However, after determining the surplus of ethane for the period 1979-1993, the Board reduced the volumes applied for in the years 1982 to 1986 by 12,041,000 barrels. The reduction was primarily due to the make-up clause contained in Dome's present licence (GL-47). In 1978 Dome exported only 4.2 million barrels of the 14.1 million barrels authorized. The make-up clause permits the make-up volume of 9.9 million barrels to be exported during the period 1982-1985. In the Board's report, it found that this make-up volume, together with the export volume applied for, exceeded the volumes that the Board deemed to be surplus and available for export.

In addition to the annual volumes specified in its application, Dome had also requested a ten percent operating tolerance in each year of the licence and a make-up provision which would allow it to export in succeeding years, the shortfall between

annual approved export volumes and actual export volumes. However, it was not proposed that the total export, over the term of the licence would exceed 132,700,000 barrels. Both of these requests were denied by the Board as they may have resulted in annual authorized export volumes exceeding either the surplus found by the Board or the volumes granted in the provincial ethane removal permits issued to Dome by the Alberta Energy Resources Conservation Board.

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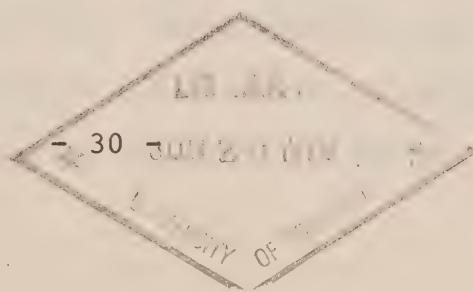
NEB APPROVES WESTCOAST TRANSMISSION CONSTRUCTION

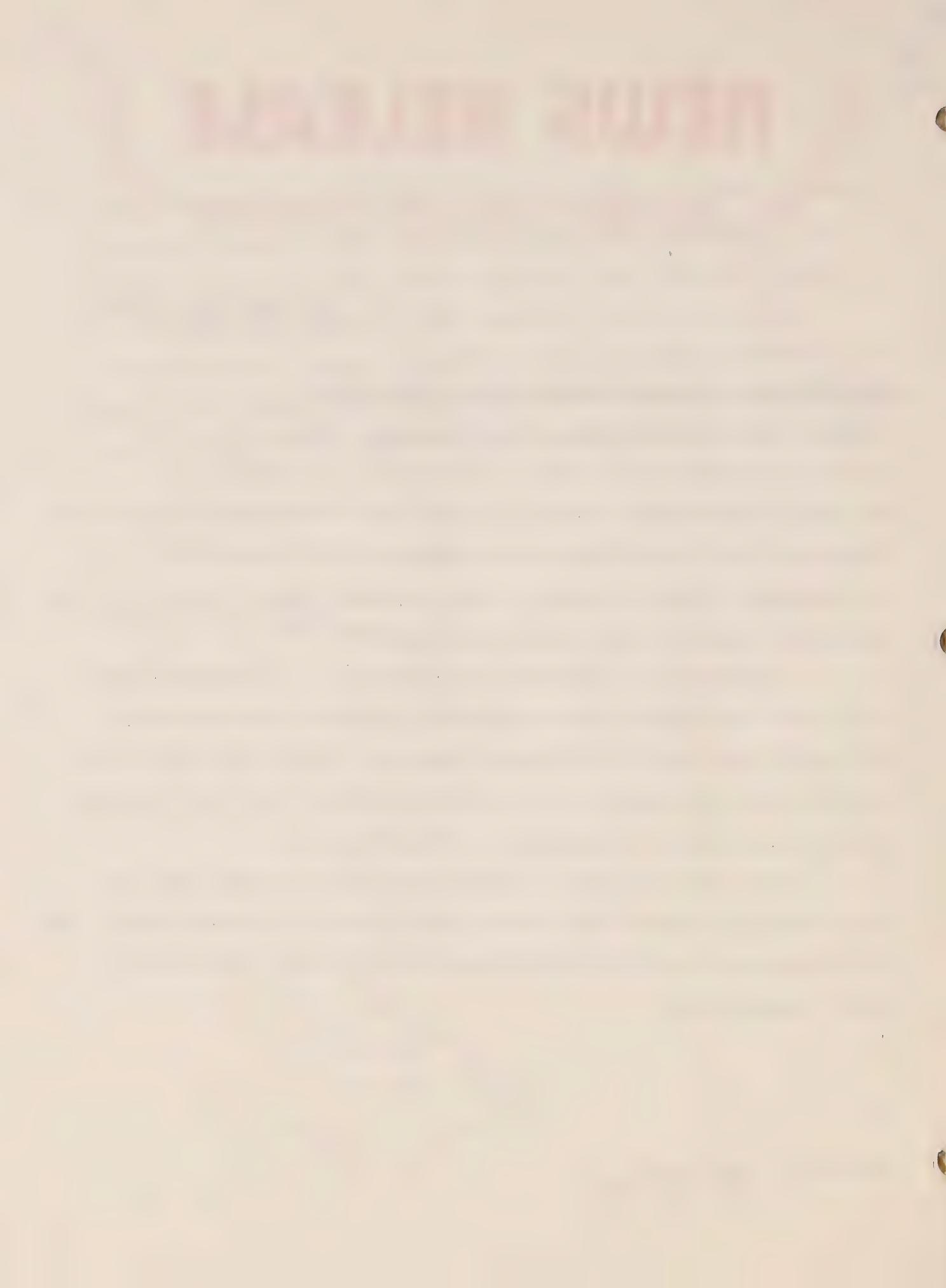
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Westcoast Transmission Company Limited for construction of facilities connecting the Junior-Ekwan-Sierra-Sahtaneh gas reserves of northeastern British Columbia to gas treatment facilities and then to Westcoast's mainline gas transmission system.

The facilities consist of approximately 134 kilometres of 323.9 mm, 406.4 mm and 609 mm gathering pipelines (collectively referred to as the "Junior-Sierra pipeline") and an addition to an existing sulphur removal plant near Fort Nelson, B.C. The capital cost of the project is estimated at \$36.5 million.

Westcoast proposes to start construction of the pipeline facilities in January 1980 and the plant addition in March 1980. The facilities are scheduled to be operational by April and October, 1980, respectively.

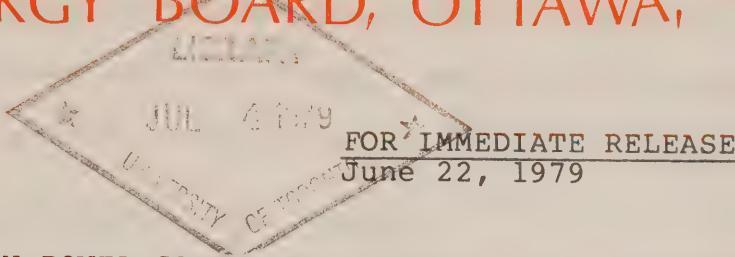
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NEB GRANTS SASKATCHEWAN POWER CORPORATION CERTIFICATE AND EXPORT LICENCES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved applications from Saskatchewan Power for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct an international power line and for four licences to export firm and interruptible power and energy.

The certificate would allow construction of a 230 kV transmission line which will run 15.2 kilometres from Saskatchewan Power's Boundary Dam switching station to a point on the Canada - U.S. boundary southwest of Estevan, Saskatchewan.

The four export licences approved comprise the following:

1. A licence to export as a sale transfer, to Basin Electric Power Cooperative of North Dakota 100 megawatts of firm power and a maximum of 438 GWh a year of energy from May through October of each year from 1981 through 1985.
2. A licence to export, as part of a diversity exchange with Basin Electric, 100 megawatts of firm power and a maximum of 438 GWh a year of energy from May through October of each year from 1986 through 2000.

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3. A licence to export interruptible energy up to a maximum of 876 GWh a year during the period May 1, 1981 to April 30, 2001.
4. A licence to export short-term firm power and energy up to a maximum of 876 GWh a year, less the amount exported under the licence described in paragraph 3, during the period May 1, 1981 to April 30, 2001.

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NEB SETS DOWN TRANS-NORTHERN RATES HEARING

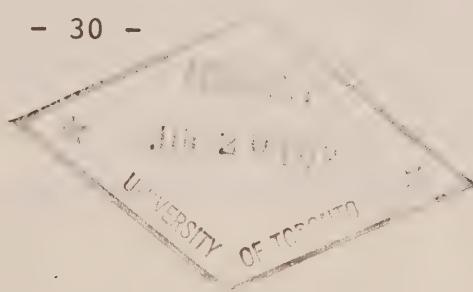
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hear, on Tuesday August 21, 1979 at 9.30 a.m. local time in the Hearing Room, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, an application by Trans-Northern Pipe Line Company for orders fixing the just and reasonable rates or tolls and tariffs the company may charge on its oil products pipeline.

The hearing will consider evidence on: 1) rate base and cost of service excluding return, 2) rate of return and 3) rate design and other tariff matters.

The deadline for interventions is Friday, August 10, 1979.

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AUGUST EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

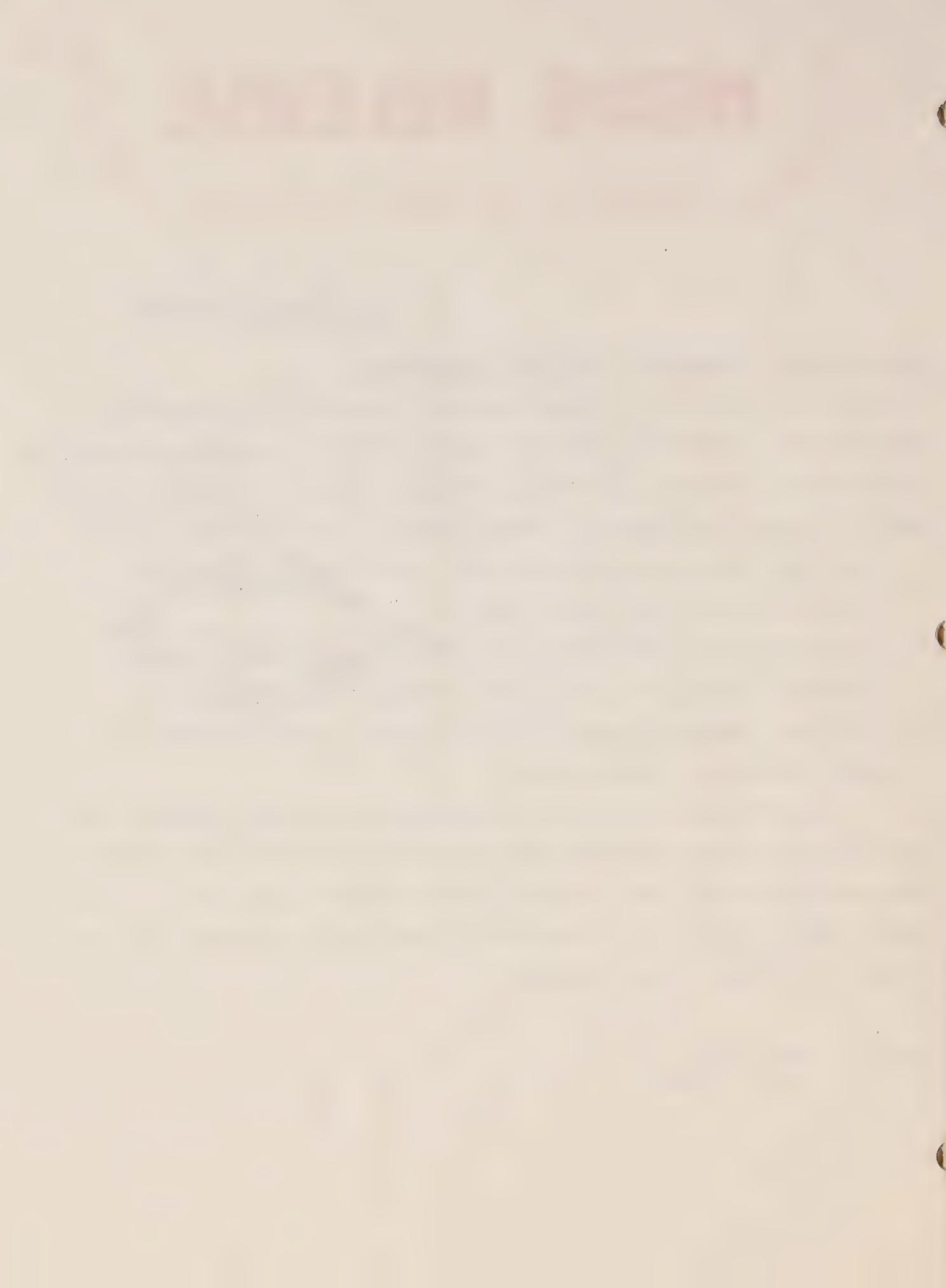
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of August 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$81.85 a cubic metre to \$94.40 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$58.25 a cubic metre to \$80.25 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$61.05 per cubic metre to \$83.05 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increases in export charges take account of the higher foreign crude oil prices resulting from the June 26 OPEC meeting and the high levels of freight currently prevailing in the tanker market, as well as a reduction in the charge equivalent to the July 1 domestic wellhead price increase.

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July 18, 1979

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - AUGUST

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of August, 1979 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

Motor Gasoline and
Gasoline Components

Middle Distillate

Heavy Fuel Oil

Partially Processed Oil

Previous Level	\$/m ³	Level for August, 1979
58.20	58.20	61.35
58.20	58.20	64.50
47.20	47.20	47.20
79.60	79.60	92.35

The Minister indicated that the increases in the export charges reflect current prices in relevant oil markets.

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July 23, 1979

NEB SETS DATE FOR CERTIFICATE PHASE OF THE OMNIBUS GAS HEARING

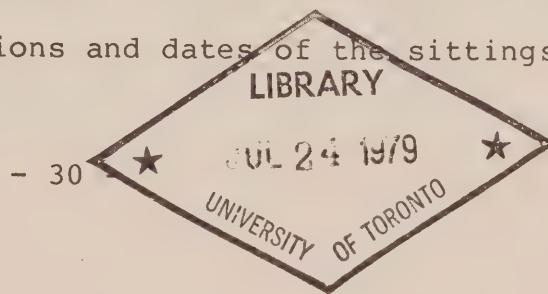
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that the certificate phase of the Omnibus Gas Hearing will commence on Tuesday, September 25, 1979 at 9:30 a.m. local time in the Board's Hearing Room, Room 940, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa.

This phase of the hearing will consider the competing applications of Q & M Pipe Lines Ltd. and TransCanada PipeLines Limited (the Gas East Project) to construct and operate additional natural gas pipeline facilities in the Province of Quebec and in the Maritimes.

A pre-hearing conference will be held in the Board's Hearing Room on Wednesday, September 5, 1979, at 2:00 p.m. local time, to discuss matters relating to the conduct of the certificate phase of the hearing, as proposed in Board Order No. PO-8-GH-4-79.

The Board plans to hold portions of its hearing in Quebec City, Halifax, and Fredericton, to hear the views of intervenors who wish to be heard in those cities. The locations and dates of the sittings will be announced at a later date.

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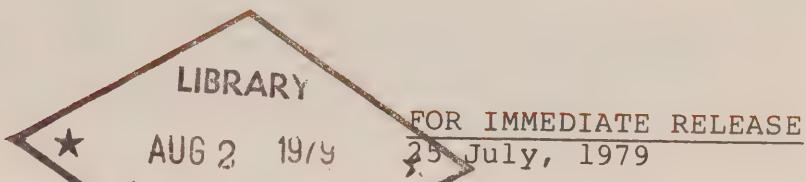




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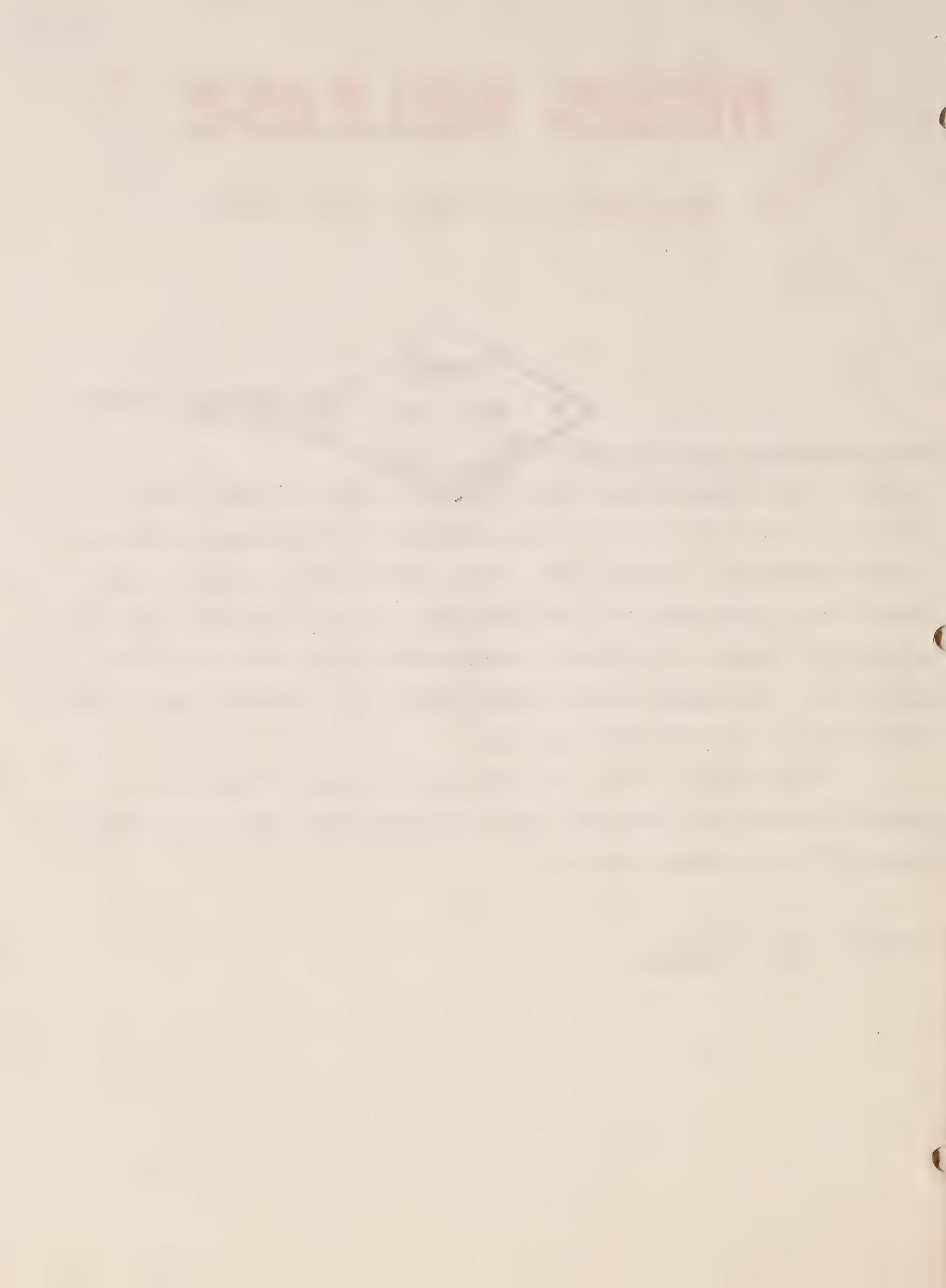
NEW TRANSCANADA PIPELINE RATES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today released an order, which is attached, containing the new rates and tolls for TransCanada PipeLines Limited effective 1 August, 1979. These reflect the increase in the Toronto city gate price from 186.406 cents per GJ to 200.386 cents per GJ effective 1 August, 1979 under a Federal/Alberta natural gas pricing agreement. The imputed Alberta border price will increase from 131.395 cents per GJ to 141.297 cents per GJ.

The Board's reasons for decision in respect of the various matters on which the rates and tolls of TransCanada PipeLines are based is expected to be released shortly.

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ORDER NO. TG-2-79

IN THE MATTER OF the National Energy Board Act and the Regulations made thereunder; and

IN THE MATTER OF an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited (hereinafter called "the Applicant") for certain orders respecting tariffs and rates or tolls pursuant to sections 50 and 53 of the National Energy Board Act, filed with the Board under File No. 1562-T1-12.

BEFORE:

L.M. Thur)
Associate Vice-Chairman)
) on Wednesday, the 18th day
J. Farmer,)
Member) of July, 1979.
)
J.R. Hardie)
Member)

UPON an application by the Applicant dated the 28th day of February, 1979, inter alia, for orders under sections 50 and 53 of the National Energy Board Act fixing the just and reasonable rates or tolls the Applicant may charge for or in respect of gas sold by the Applicant in Canada and for transportation services to Saskatchewan Power Corporation, Consolidated Natural Gas Limited and Gaz Métropolitain, inc., and disallowing any tariffs or rates or tolls or portion thereof that are inconsistent with the just and reasonable rates or tolls so fixed, effective the 1st day of August, 1979;

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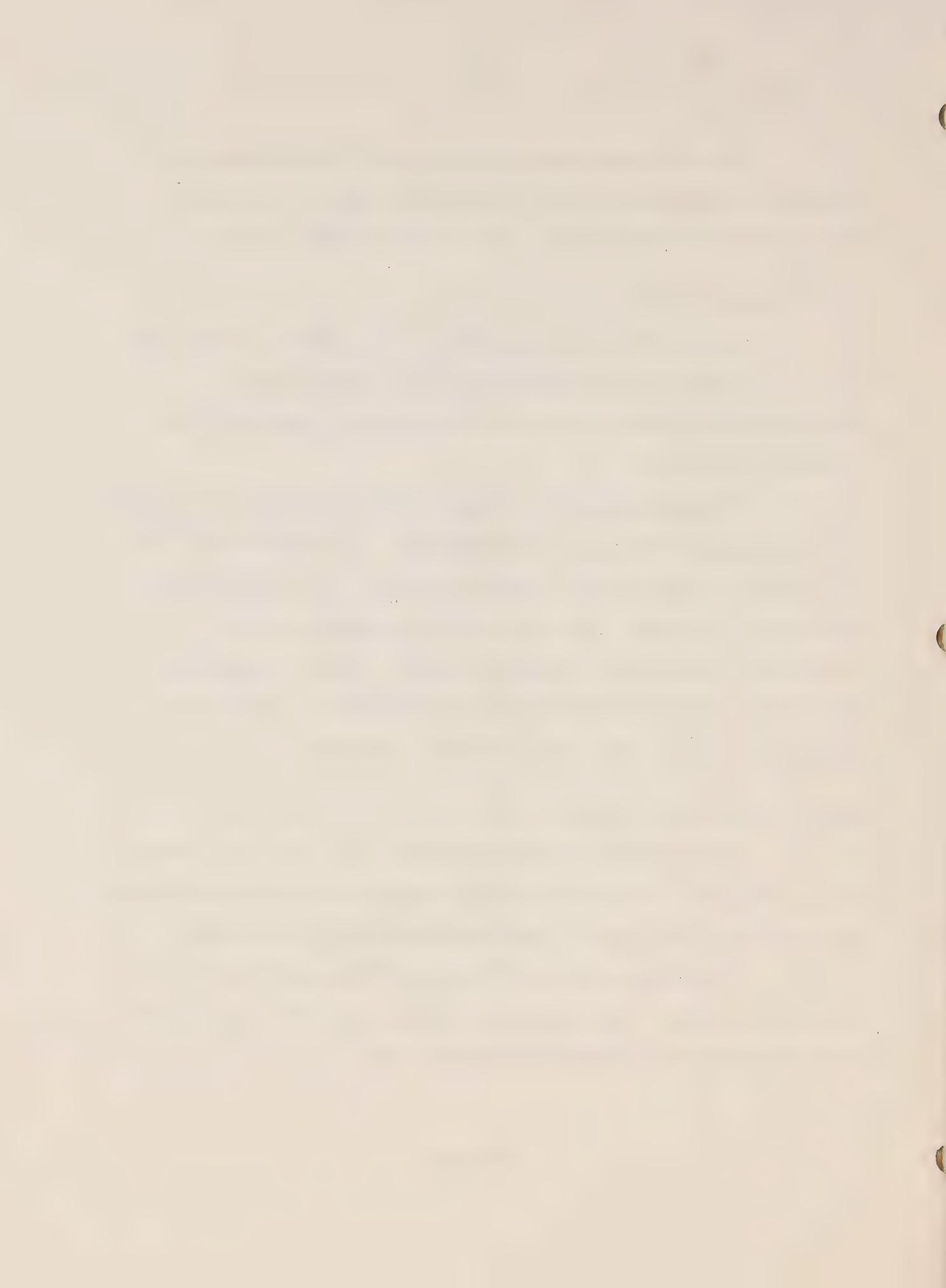
AND UPON the Board having heard the evidence and submissions relating to the said application at a public hearing which commenced on the 15th day of May, 1979;

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Applicant shall charge, in respect of gas sold by it in Canada and in respect of its T-Service and Transportation Service, the rates and tolls specified in Schedule A hereto.
2. The Applicant's proposed tariff amendment in respect of the General Terms and Conditions of the said tariff, all as more particularly set forth in Exhibit 141 filed at the hearing of the said application and as amended so as to substitute the words "Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce" for the words "Bank of Canada" where they appear in the said amendment, be and the same is hereby approved.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

3. The Applicant shall forthwith file with the Board and serve upon all parties to the hearing of this application, new tariffs, tolls and rates conforming with this Order.
4. Notwithstanding the filing of the said new tariffs, tolls and rates, the same shall remain suspended and be of no effect until the 1st day of August, 1979.

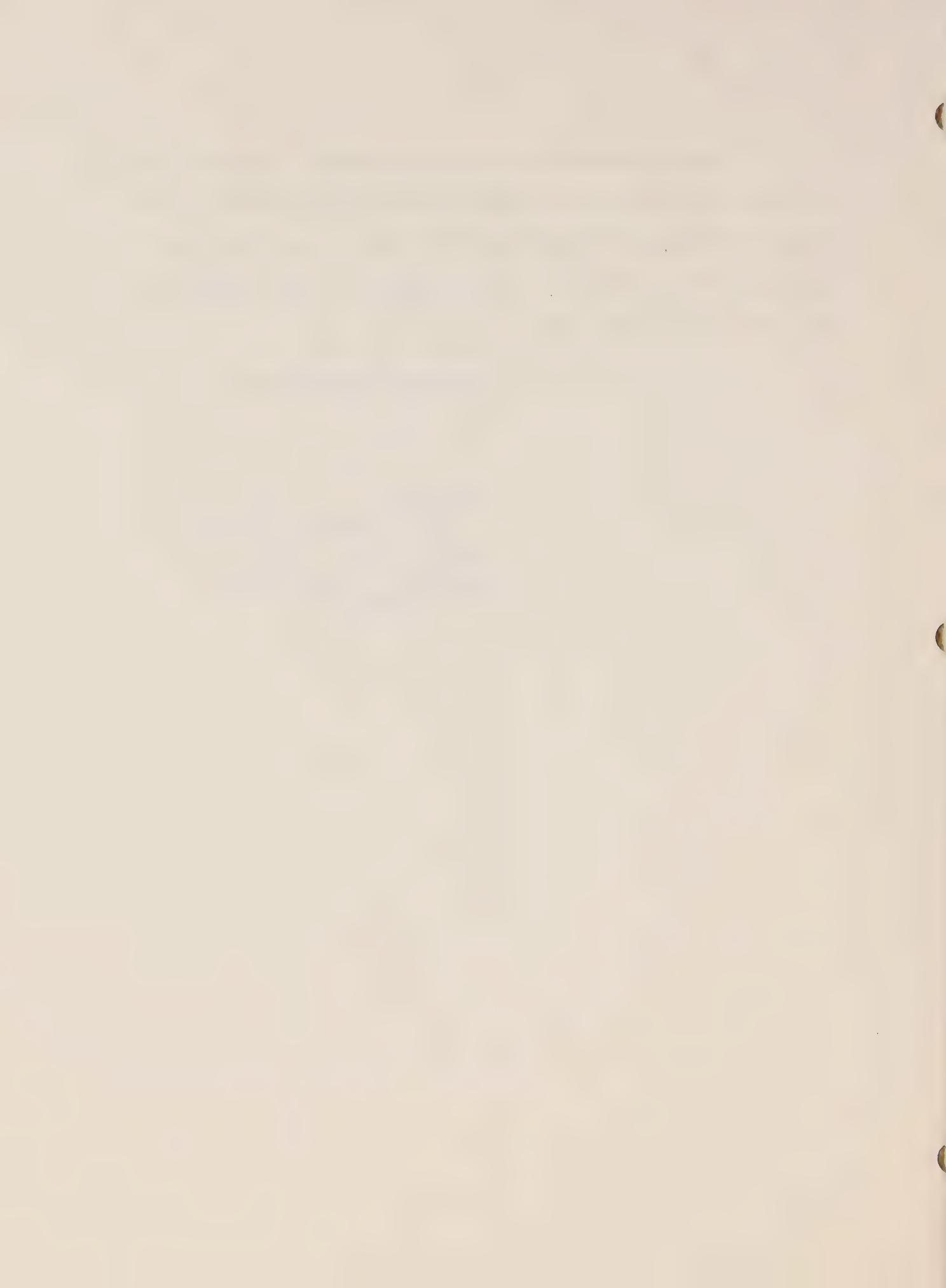


5. Those provisions of the Applicant's tariffs, tolls and rates, or any portion thereof, that are contrary to any order of the Board, including this Order, be and the same are hereby disallowed, such disallowance to be effective on the 31st day of July, 1979.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

L. Yorke Stader

for Brian H. Whittle
Secretary



SCHEDULE A

TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED
RATES AND TOLLS FOR CANADIAN SALES, TRANSPORTATION & T-SERVICE
EFFECTIVE: 1 AUGUST 1979

PARTICULARS	RATE SCHEDULE	TRANSPORTATION DEMAND RATE (\$/10 ³ m ³ /mo.)	TRANSPORTATION COMMODITY RATE (\$/10 ³ m ³)	IMPUTED ALBERTA BORDER PRICE (\$/GJ)
<u>SALES SERVICE</u>				
Saskatchewan Zone	CD	43.88	.378	141.297
	AOI	--	2.021	141.297
	SGS	--	3.985	141.297
	PS	--	69.090	141.297
	TWS	--	23.910	141.297
Manitoba Zone	CD	160.49	1.657	141.297
	AOI	--	4.255	141.297
	PS	--	69.090	141.297
	TWS	--	23.910	141.297
Western Zone	CD	258.76	2.711	141.297
	AOI	--	6.902	141.297
	PS	--	69.090	141.297
	TWS	--	23.910	141.297
Northern Zone	CD	408.87	4.307	141.297
	AOI-NDA*	--	10.079	141.297
	AOI-SSMDA**	--	13.940	141.297
	PS	--	69.090	141.297
	TWS	--	29.200	141.297
Eastern Zone	CD	510.23	5.366	141.297
	AOI	--	11.138	141.297
	ACQ	--	19.641	141.297
	PS	--	97.330	141.297
	TWS	--	30.970	141.297

T-SERVICE

Gaz Métropolitain, inc. 510.23 1.492
 (Fuel Ratio 0.0732)

TRANSPORTATION SERVICESaskatchewan Power Corporation

Bayhurst & Liebenthal	68.81	.671
Success	51.63	.487
Empress	74.99	.735
Herbert	14.77	.104
<u>Consolidated Natural Gas</u>	146.51	1.502

* Northern Delivery Area

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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NEB RELEASES PHASE I DECISION ON FOOTHILLS (YUKON) TARIFF

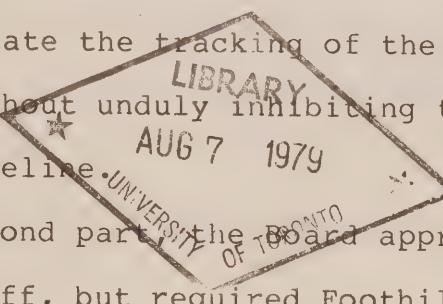
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Decision on Phase I of the hearing into the Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. application with respect to tariffs and financing of the Canadian portion of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline.

The decision is in three parts:

In the first part the Board announced its method for regulating the tolls and tariffs of Foothills (Yukon) in advance of the costs being incurred, i.e. a cost of service tariff. This is to permit the Board to make a finding on just and reasonable tolls and to facilitate the tracking of the tariff to United States consumers without unduly inhibiting the private-sector financing of the pipeline.

In the second part the Board approved the cost of service form of tariff, but required Foothills (Yukon) to make certain changes in the form and content of the tariff. The major changes included the clauses relating to the start of the tariff, provisions for special tolls in the first year of start-up of the pipeline, and special provisions should service on the pipeline be interrupted for more than 30 consecutive days in the operating phase.

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Third, Foothills (Yukon) applied to have \$79.1 million of preliminary expenditures incurred up to December 31, 1978 included in its rate base. Subject to Foothills (Yukon) fulfilling the conditions outlined in the Reasons for Decision, the Board approved these expenditures for inclusion in the rate base.

Phase II of the hearing relating to proposed "pre-built" portions of the Foothills (Yukon) pipeline begins in Ottawa on August 1, 1979 and Phase III dealing with "incentive rate of return" commences on October 23, 1979. No date has yet been set for Phase IV which will consider the financing of the main pipeline and "pre-built" facilities.

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August 8, 1979

NEB SETS DOWN FRASER INC. HEARING FOR POWER EXPORT

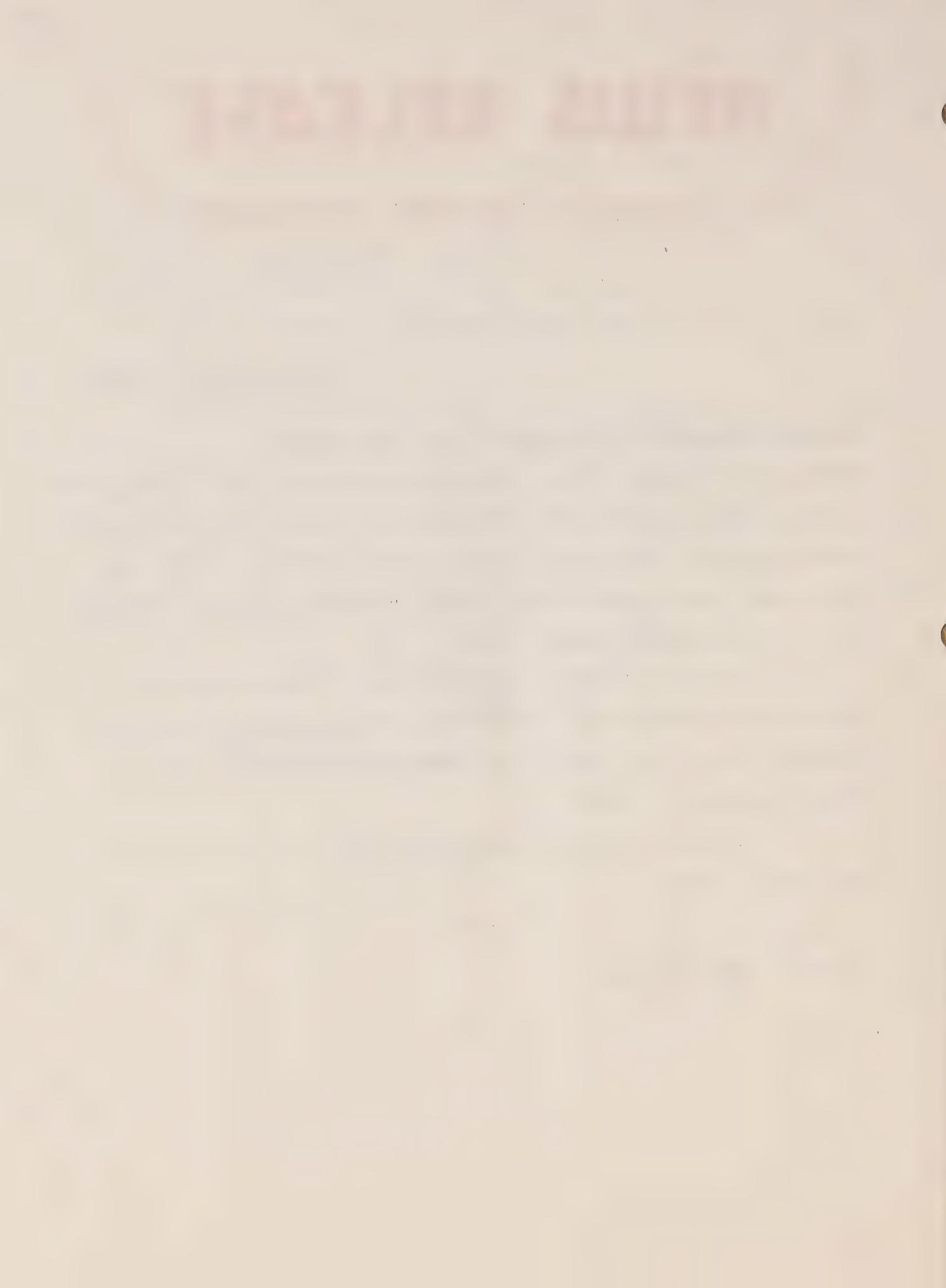
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 18, 1979 in the Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario at 9:30 a.m., local time, concerning an application by Fraser, Inc. of Edmundston, N.B., for licences to export power.

Fraser has applied for licences to export firm and interruptible power to its subsidiary, Fraser Paper Limited in Madawaska, Maine, for the period commencing January 1, 1980 and ending December 31, 1989.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Friday September 7, 1979.

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August 10, 1979

NEB GRANTS DOW CHEMICAL LICENCE TO EXPORT INTERRUPTIBLE POWER

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by Dow Chemical of Canada, Limited for a licence to export surplus, interruptible electric energy from its plant at Sarnia, Ontario.

The exports can commence at any time and the quantity of energy to be exported may not exceed 255 GW.h for the calendar year 1979 and 438 GW.h for each calendar year 1980, 1981 and 1982.

The energy is to be exported to the Dow Chemical Company of Michigan by wheeling over the transmission lines of Ontario Hydro, Detroit Edison Company and Consumers Power Company.

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August 24, 1979

NEB SETS DATE FOR OIL PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has set Tuesday, October 2, 1979 as the date to commence the hearing of two oil pipeline applications.

The proceedings will open in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, at 9:30 a.m. local time.

The applications for certificates are by Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company Ltd. and Foothills Oil Pipe Line Ltd. and are for the purpose of transporting oil from Alaska to the lower United States.

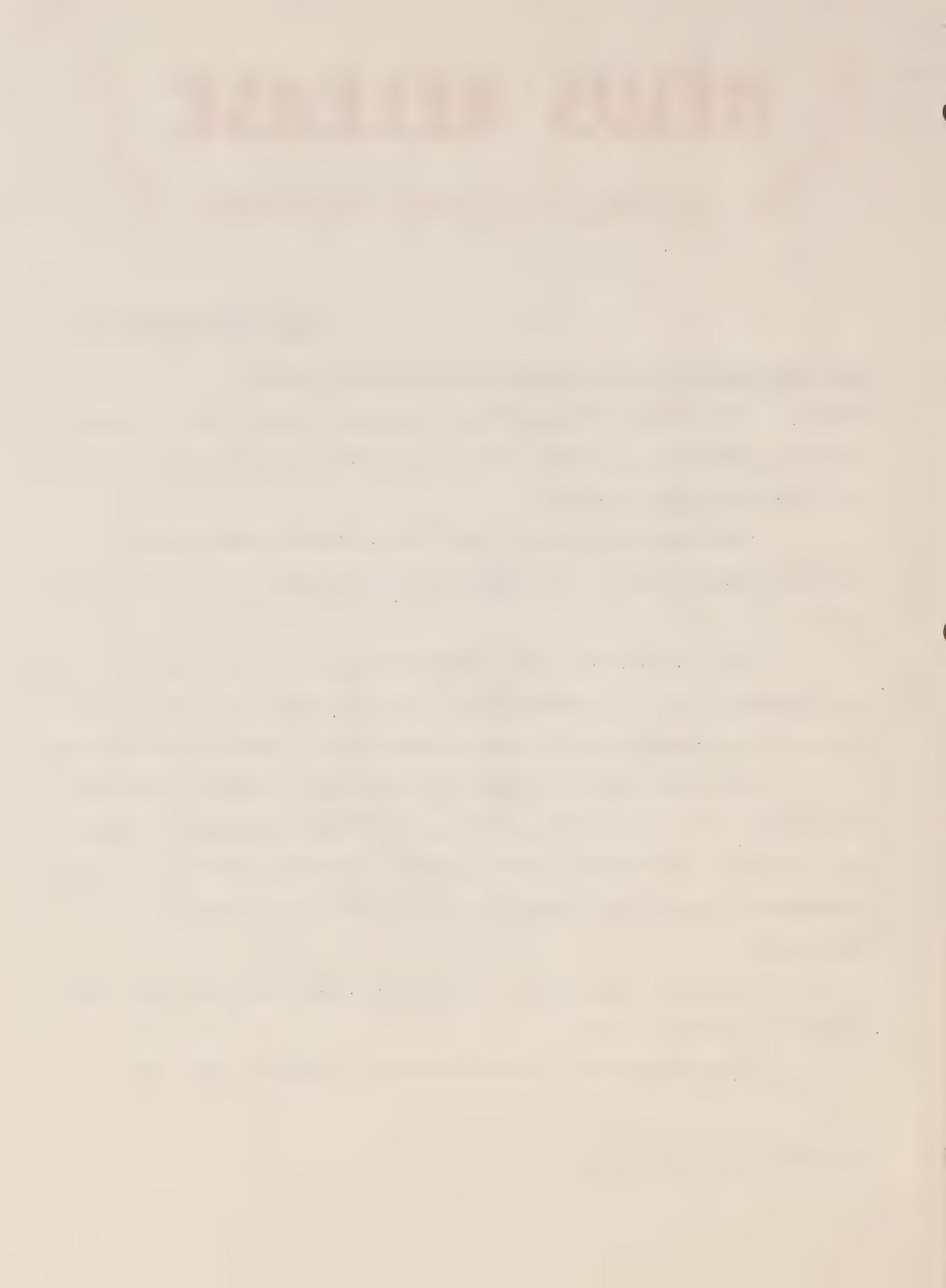
The Trans Mountain proposal would see a pipeline running from Sumas, B.C. to Edmonton, Alta. along Trans Mountain's present oil pipeline right-of-way. The project would require the oil to be transported from Alaska by tanker to a port in the State of Washington.

Foothills' application is for an over-land pipeline from Alaska to Edmonton, Alta.

The deadline for interventions is September 20, 1979.

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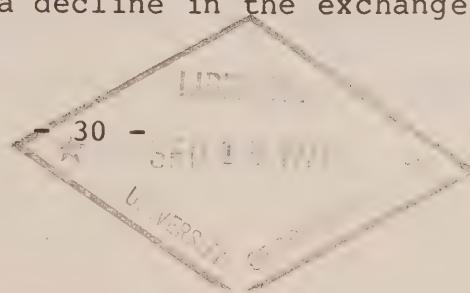
SEPTEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

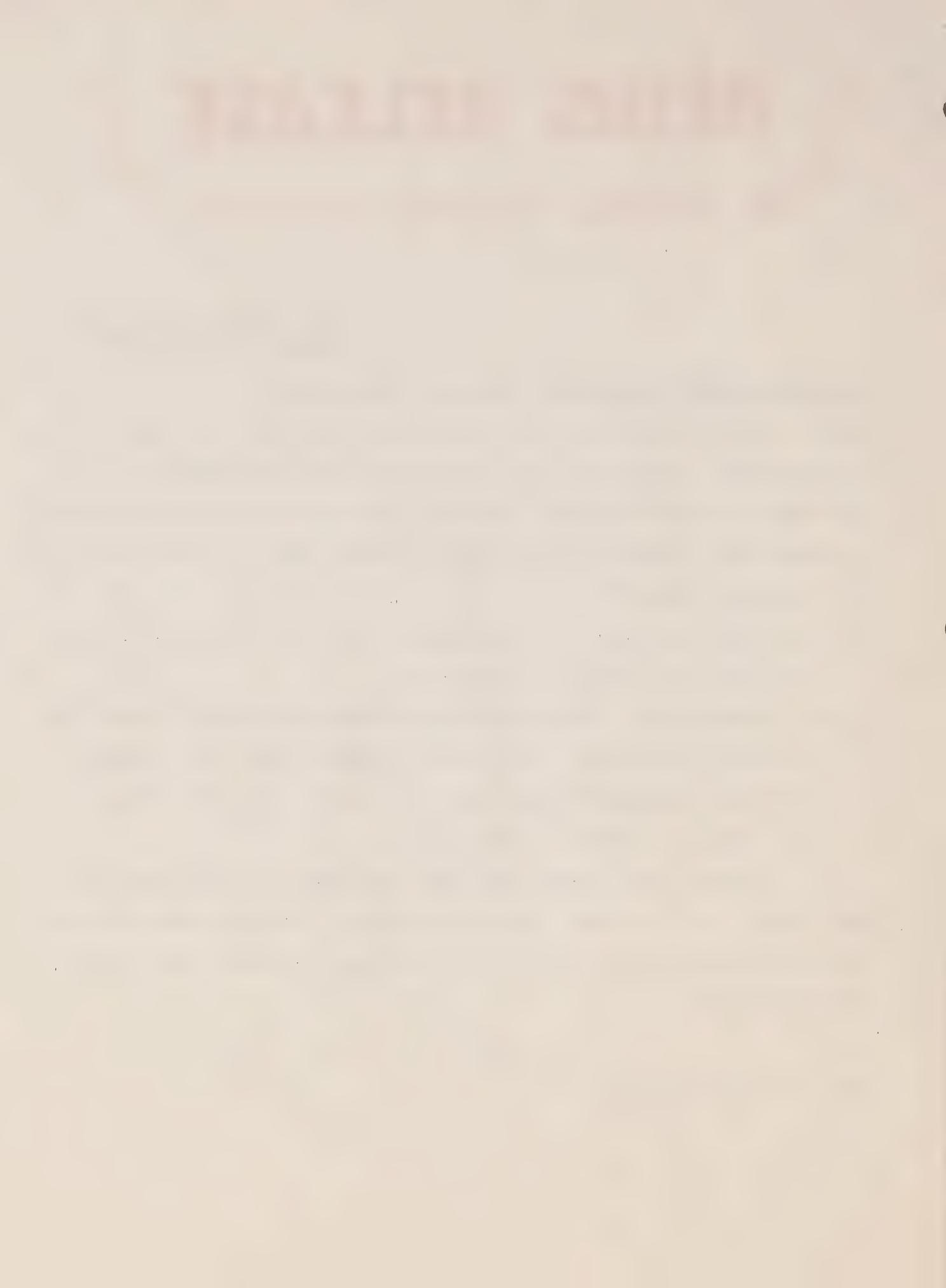
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of September 1979 and until further notice to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$94.45 a cubic metre to \$100.75 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$80.25 a cubic metre to \$89.70 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$83.05 per cubic metre to \$92.50 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increases in export charges take account of the higher levels of freight currently prevailing in the tanker market as well as a decline in the exchange value of the Canadian dollar.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - SEPTEMBER

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of September, 1979, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

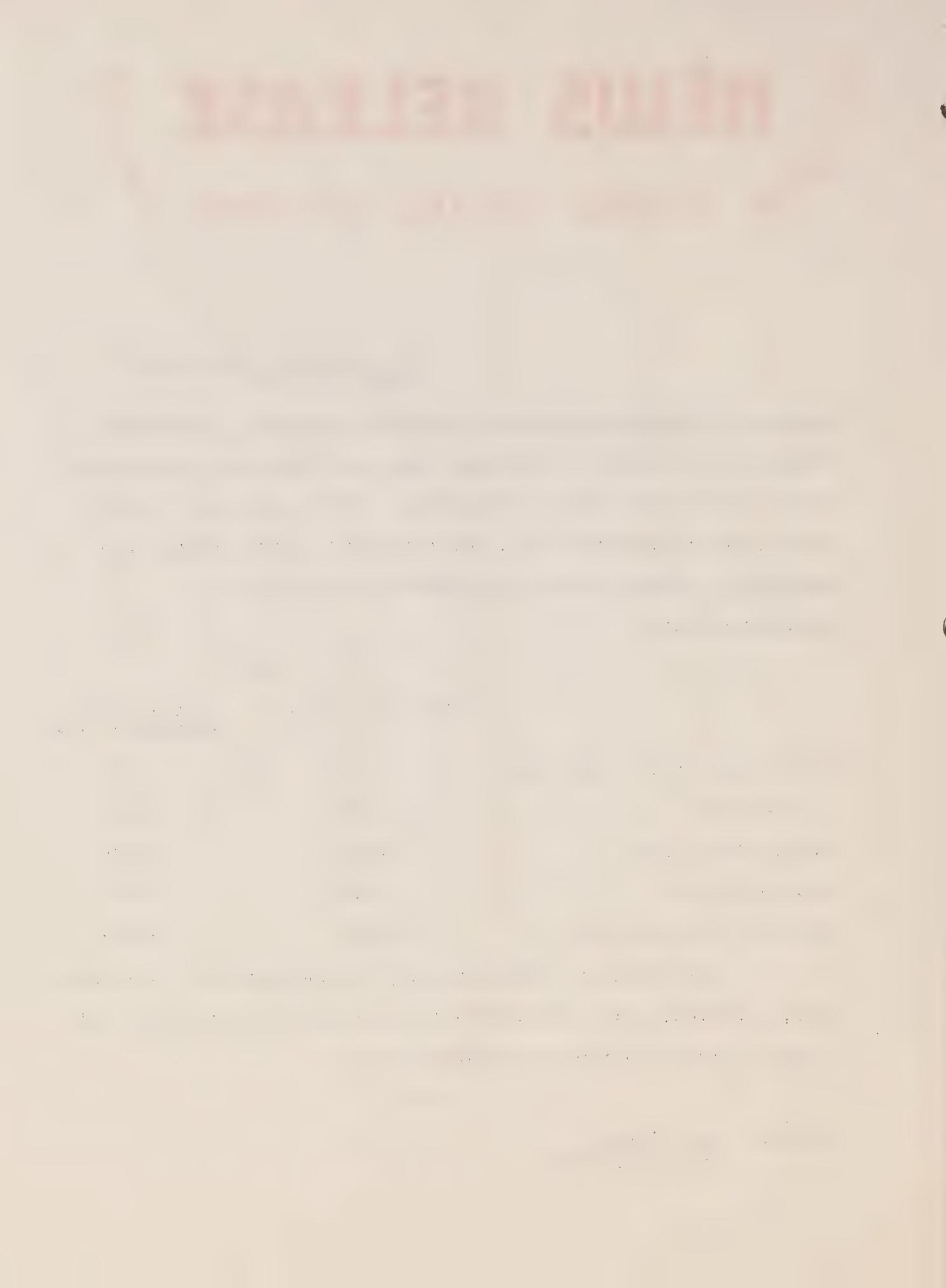
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	Previous level	Level for September 1979
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	61.35	65.10
Middle Distillate	64.50	69.85
Heavy Fuel Oil	47.20	57.25
Partially Processed Oil	92.35	97.55

The Minister indicated that the increases in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets as well as the increase in the Syncrude/GCOS levy.

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NEWS RELEASE

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August 30, 1979.

NEB ISSUES REASONS FOR DECISION IN TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED CASE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today issued its Reasons for Decision on the application of TransCanada PipeLines Limited for new rates and tolls which became effective 1 August 1979. The Board issued an order to TransCanada last month and made public the new rates and tolls at that time. (See NEB press release dated 18 July 1979 and Order TG-2-79 attached thereto.)

The implementation of new rates on 1 August 1979 coincided with the increase in the Toronto reference prices for natural gas from Alberta from \$1.86406 per gigajoule to \$2.00386 per gigajoule, by agreement between the Federal and Alberta governments. As a result, the imputed Alberta border price increased by 9.902 cents per gigajoule while the Toronto city gate price increased by 13.980 cents per gigajoule.

The Board allowed TransCanada a rate of return on rate base of 10.90 percent compared with 11.22 percent applied for and 10.75 percent previously authorized. This rate of return of 10.90 percent on rate base reflects an allowed rate of return on common equity of 14.00 percent.

The increase in transportation tolls reflects the increased return on rate base, increased operating costs, including the higher cost of gas used in operations.

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NEB ANNOUNCES OCTOBER CRUDE OIL EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today the volumes of exports of crude oil available for the United States in the month of October. As announced previously, the Board, beginning October 1, will be licensing crude oil export volumes and giving notice of likely future exports of crude oil volumes on a monthly rather than a quarterly basis as was the case to the end of September.

The volume of light crude oil to be exported in October will be restricted to production of condensate and crude oil in southern Alberta which cannot be moved by pipeline to Canadian markets. This volume amounts to $2.2 \text{ } 10^3 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$ (about 14,000 b/d). Up to the end of September, light crude oil and condensate exports were $8.8 \text{ } 10^3 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$ (55,000 b/d).

In addition to light crude oil exports mentioned above, Canada is exporting light crude oil to U.S. Northern Tier refineries under mid-continent exchange arrangements. Under these arrangements, in return for Canadian exports an equivalent volume of crude oil is returned to Canada through Chicago and from there, eastward on the Interprovincial-Lakehead pipeline system to Ontario and Quebec. The volume of mid-continent exchanges is now estimated to be $14.6 \text{ } 10^3 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$ (92,000 b/d) for October and could be increased subject to appropriate commercial exchange arrangements.

For heavy crude oil, the Board has found that the total volume available for export in October will be $15.0 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$ (about 94,000 b/d). This volume compares to $13.1 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$ (82,000 b/d) which was permitted to be exported in the third quarter of 1979. Some additional heavy crude oil may become available in October for either direct export or eastern Canadian exchanges.

These decisions have been communicated to appropriate United States authorities in order that the allocation of the available volumes mentioned above can be made. The National Energy Board and U.S. regulatory authorities are in close contact over these developments and will co-operate to the greatest extent possible in alleviating the effects of reduced direct exports of Canadian oil to Priority 1 U.S. refineries.

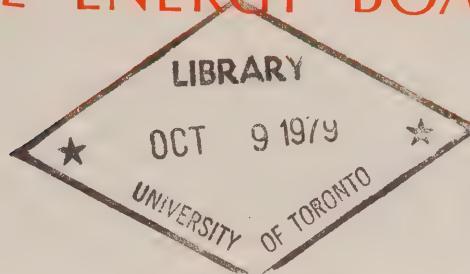
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27 September 1979

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - OCTOBER

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of October, 1979 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

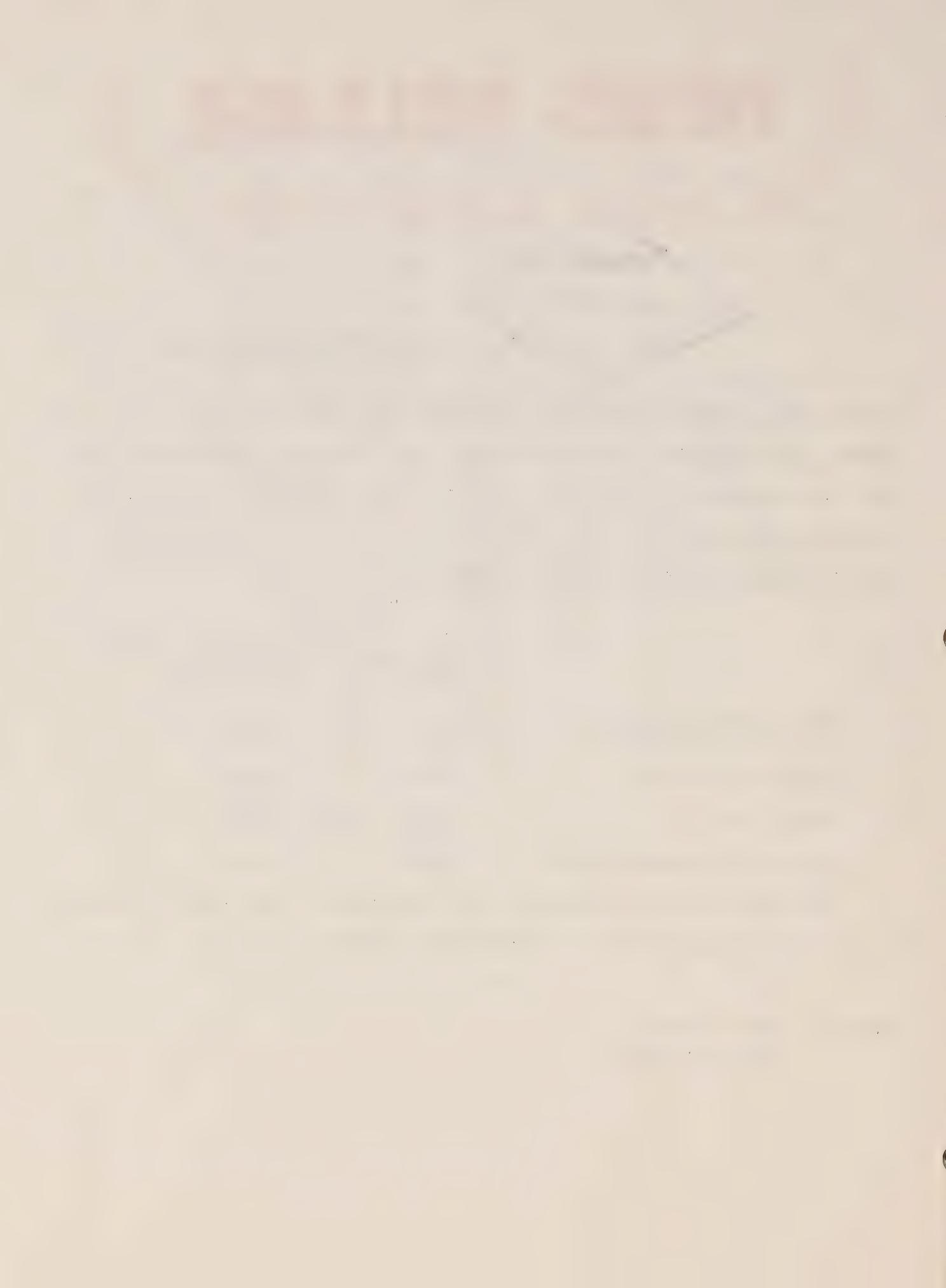
\$/m³

	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for October, 1979</u>
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline Components	65.15	79.30
Middle Distillate	69.85	82.45
Heavy Fuel Oil	57.25	60.40
Partially Processed Oil	97.55	97.55

The Minister indicated that the increases in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD ACT

Oil Pipeline Regulations, amendment

P.C. 1979-2216 24 August, 1979

His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the recommendation of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, pursuant to subsection 39(2) of the National Energy Board Act, is pleased hereby to approve the amendment made by the National Energy Board to the Oil Pipeline Regulations approved by Order in Council P.C. 1978-2908 of 27th September, 1978*, in accordance with the schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

1. Subsection 3(2) of the *Oil Pipeline Regulations* is revoked and the following substituted therefor:

"(2) In addition to the requirements prescribed by these Regulations respecting the design, construction and operation of a pipeline, every company shall comply with the Canadian Standards Association publication "C.S.A. Standard Z183-1977 Oil Pipeline Transportation Systems" (hereinafter referred to as CSA Z183)."

2. Subsection 133(1) of the said Regulations is revoked and the following substituted therefor:

"133. (1) This Part shall, together with Parts I to IX, apply to all high vapour pressure pipelines."

Enregistrement
DORS/79-619 27 août 1979

LOI SUR L'OFFICE NATIONAL DE L'ÉNERGIE

Règlement sur les pipe-lines—Modification

C.P. 1979-2216 24 août 1979

Sur avis conforme du ministre de l'Énergie, des Mines et des Ressources et en vertu du paragraphe 39(2) de la Loi sur l'Office national de l'énergie, il plaît à Son Excellence le Gouverneur général en conseil d'approuver, conformément à l'annexe ci-après, la modification établie par l'Office national de l'énergie au Règlement sur les pipe-lines approuvée par le décret C.P. 1978-2908 du 27 septembre 1978*.

ANNEXE

1. Le paragraphe 3(2) du *Règlement sur les pipe-lines* est abrogé et remplacé par ce qui suit:

«(2) Outre les exigences de ce règlement visant la conception, la construction, et l'exploitation d'un pipe-line, chaque compagnie doit observer la norme Z183-1977 intitulée «Système de transport par pipe-line» de l'Association canadienne de normalisation (ci-après appelée norme Z183 de l'ACNOR).»

2. Le paragraphe 133(1) dudit règlement est abrogé et remplacé par ce qui suit:

«133. (1) Cette partie, de même que les parties I à IX, s'appliquent à tous les pipe-lines à haute pression de vapeur.»

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulation, but is intended only for information purposes.)

1. The amendment in section 1 substitutes the more recent Canadian Standards Association code "C.S.A. Standard Z183-1977 Oil Pipe Transportation Systems" in place of the 1973 code formerly incorporated into the regulations.

2. The amendment in section 2 makes Part X of the regulations applicable to all high vapour pressure pipelines, as opposed to only those pipelines for which a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was issued under section 44 of the *National Energy Board Act* after September 26, 1978.

NOTE EXPLICATIVE

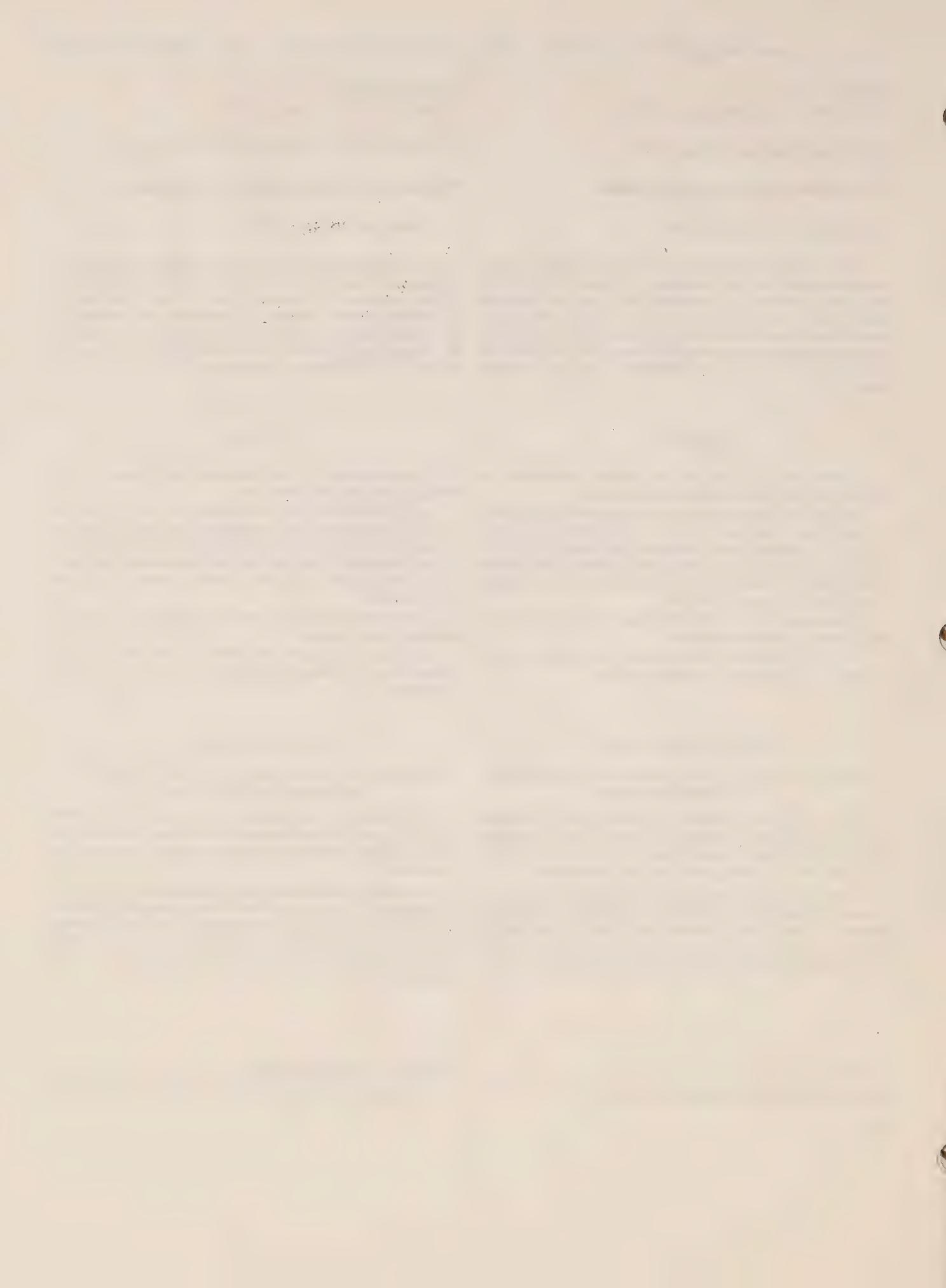
(La présente note ne fait pas partie du règlement; elle n'est publiée qu'à titre d'information.)

1. La première modification vise à remplacer la norme Z183-1977 de 1973 de l'Association canadienne de normalisation (ACNOR), intitulée «Système de transport par pipe-line» par celle de 1977.

2. La seconde modification étend l'application de la partie X du règlement à tous les pipe-lines à haute pression de vapeur, et non seulement à ceux pour lesquels un Certificat de commodité et de nécessité publiques a été délivré en vertu de l'article 44 de la *Loi sur l'Office national de l'énergie* après le 26 septembre 1978.

* SOR/78-746, 1978 *Canada Gazette Part II*, p. 3722

* DORS/78-746, *Gazette du Canada Partie II*, 1978, p. 3722



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October 4, 1979

NEB RELEASES PHASE II DECISION ON FOOTHILLS (YUKON) TARIFF

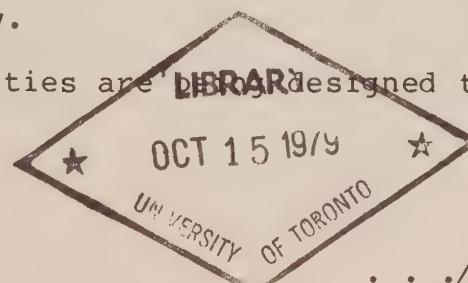
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Decision on Phase II of the hearing into the Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. application with respect to tariffs and financing of the Canadian portion of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline.

The Phase II Decision relates to the tariff for facilities prebuilt to carry Alberta gas to export markets, should the Board authorize such exports, but before Alaska gas begins to flow. The Board approved the form and content of a full cost of service type tariff subject to certain modifications. Included is a requirement that the tariff begin when gas begins to flow rather than when the facilities are completed and ready for service.

The Board believes that the higher transmission cost in the "prebuild" period should be borne by those who benefit from lower tariffs when Alaska gas is flowing - namely, the consumers of that gas. There are three reasons for this decision.

1) The unit costs of transmission will be higher in "prebuild" facilities compared with the unit costs on the complete line when Alaska gas begins to flow.

2) The "prebuild" facilities are ~~designed~~ designed to carry the larger volumes of Alaska gas.



3) The tolls will be lower when Alaska gas flows than they would have been without "prebuilding" because the southern parts of the system would have been built earlier, thus avoiding inflation. The Board assumed, therefore, that the price at which the Alberta gas would be sold should reflect these facts.

The Phase I Decision approved, subject to certain modifications, the form and content of the tariff for the pipeline in Canada when Alaska gas will be flowing.

Phase III of the hearing dealing with the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme will start on 23 October 1979. No date has been set for Phase IV on the financing of "prebuild" facilities and of the pipeline as a whole.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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October 9, 1979

NEB SETS DOWN TRANSCANADA AND CHAMPION PIPE LINE CONSTRUCTION APPLICATIONS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 20, 1979 in the Games Room of the Whiteoak Inn, 10 rue Rivière, Temiscaming, Québec at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning applications by TransCanada PipeLines Limited and Champion Pipe Line Corporation for authority to construct and operate additional pipeline facilities.

TransCanada has applied for a certificate to construct approximately 39.5 kilometers of 168.3 mm diameter gas transmission pipeline extending from upstream of the North Bay compressor Station 116, to a proposed meter station in the Township of Poitras, in Nipissing, Ontario.

Champion Pipe Line Corporation has applied for an order to construct approximately 1.8 km of 219.1 mm diameter gas pipeline from the proposed meter station to a point on the property of Tembec Forest Products Inc. in Temiscaming, Québec.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Friday, November 9, 1979.

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October 15, 1979

NEB RELEASES DECISION ON THE TOLLS AND TARIFFS OF WESTCOAST

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Decision on the tolls and tariffs of Westcoast Transmission Company Limited.

The new tolls came into effect on 1 November 1979, but will not cause any immediate change in the price at which Westcoast sells gas to its distributors. The method of regulation, approved by the Board, reflects the wishes of the British Columbia Government to regulate the price of natural gas of B.C. origin sold by Westcoast to distributors in British Columbia.

The Board approved a monthly cost of service toll. Changes in the toll will affect the funds received by the British Columbia Petroleum Corporation and by producers in Alberta, in the Yukon, and in the Northwest Territories.

The cost of service toll provides for a return on common equity of 14.25 percent compared with 14.75 percent applied for by Westcoast. Changes were made to depreciation rates including an increase in the composite rate for transmission plant from 2.3 percent to 3.7 percent. The cost of service tolls will include provision for normalized income taxes, but not for the amortization of deferred taxes.

The Board's Order incorporates a method for regulating the tolls of Westcoast which will provide the National Energy Board with control over costs to be included in the cost of service toll before they are incurred and, at the same time, provide interested parties with an opportunity to review these costs.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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October 29, 1979.

NEB TO HEAR AN APPLICATION BY B.C. HYDRO TO EXPORT POWER AND ENERGY

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hear on Tuesday, 11 December, 1979 at 9:30 a.m. local time in the Social Suite West of the Hotel Vancouver, British Columbia an application by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority for licences to export firm power and energy and interruptible energy for a five-year term to end on September 30, 1984.

The application is in four parts for authority to export:

1. Firm capacity and energy as a sale transfer to the Point Roberts Service Area of Puget Sound Power and Light Company in a quantity not to exceed 32 gigathours (GWh) a year.
2. Firm power as a carrier transfer at Douglas and Nelway for simultaneous return to Canada, up to 2000 GWh a year.
3. Short-term firm power and energy as sale and equichange transfer at Douglas and Nelway, up to 3000 GWh a year.
4. Interruptible energy as sale, equichange, storage, adjustment and carrier transfers at Douglas and Nelway, the quantity not to exceed 10,000 GWh a year, less any firm sale or equichange transfers under Part 3.

The maximum total net export applied for is 10,032 GWh a year.

B.C. Hydro is also requesting authority to increase the capacity of the Tsawwassen-Point Roberts international power line, authorized by Certificate No. EC-29.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Thursday, 29 November, 1979.





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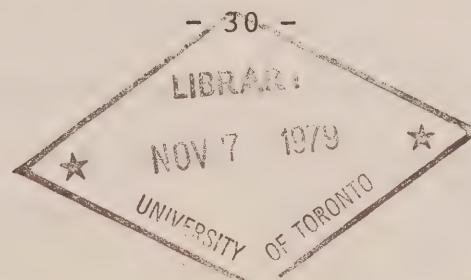
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NEB TO HEAR TRANSCANADA APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE ADDITIONAL PIPELINE FACILITIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hear on Tuesday, November 27, 1979, in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, at 9:30 a.m. local time, an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for a certificate to construct and operate additional facilities.

TransCanada has applied for permission to loop an existing section of its gas pipeline system between Maple and Lisgar, Ontario with approximately 49.1 kilometres of 914 mm. O.D. pipeline.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Tuesday, November 20, 1979.



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NOVEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of November 1979 and until further notice be set to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, \$100.75 a cubic metre (i.e. no change from October levels).
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$89.70 a cubic metre to \$102.30 a cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$92.50 a cubic metre to \$105.10 a cubic metre.

Mr. Hnatyshyn stated that the increase in the export charge for heavy crude oil reflects current price levels of competing crude oils in United States markets.

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October 30, 1979

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - NOVEMBER

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of November, 1979 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

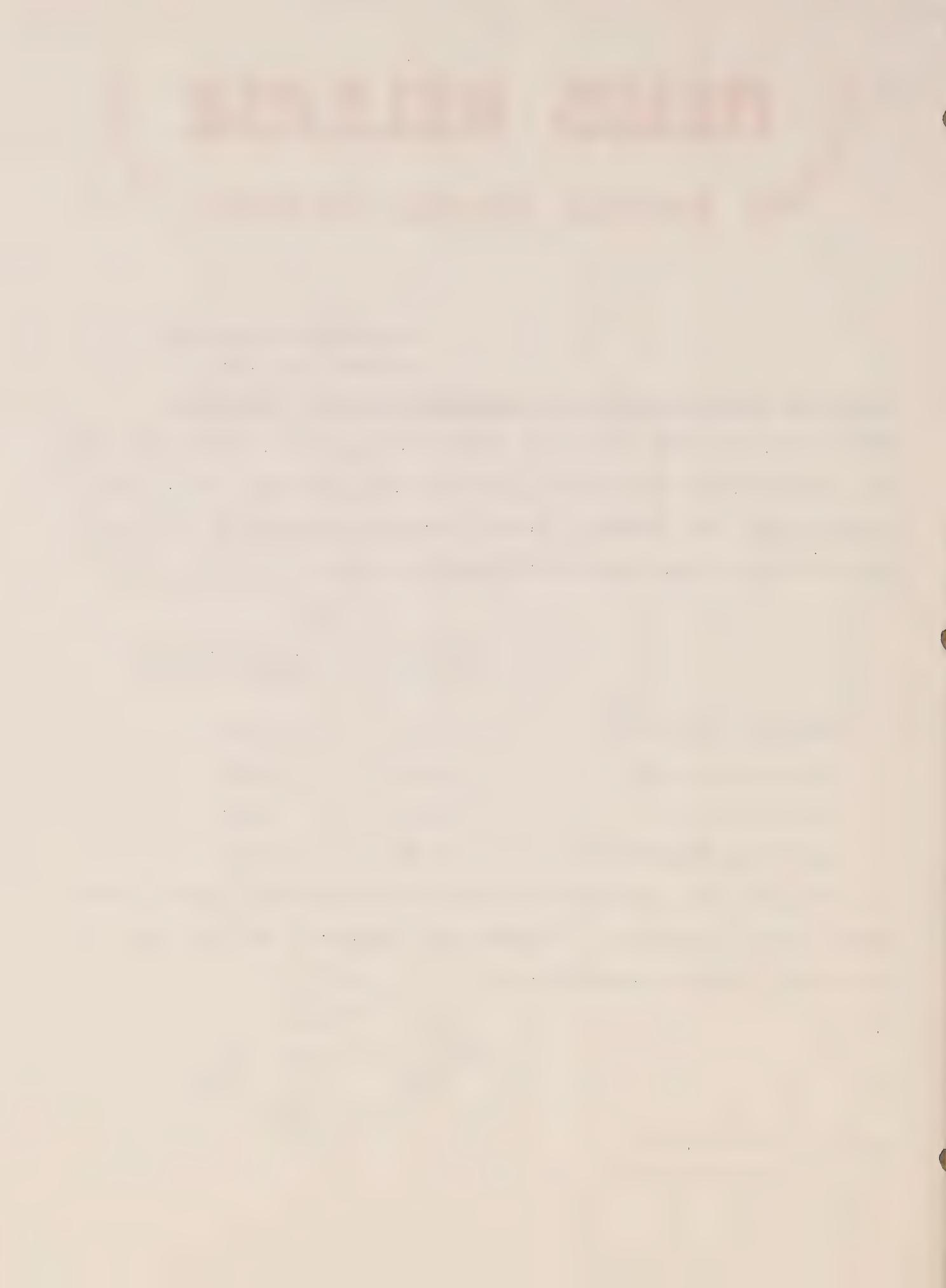
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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for November, 1979</u>
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline Components	79.30	83.40
Middle Distillate	82.45	92.85
Heavy Fuel Oil	60.40	62.90
Partially Processed Oil	97.55	95.35

The Minister indicated that the increases in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets as well as the increase in the Syncrude/GCOS levy.



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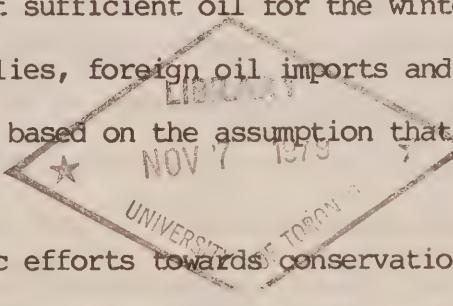
NEB STATEMENT RE CANADIAN SHORT-TERM OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board is aware of the public concern about adequate petroleum product supplies in Canada - particularly the availability of heating oil for the coming winter. After federal and provincial consultation, the Board has undertaken to assess the supply outlook.

The attached "Review of the year" summarizes what has happened in Canada during the first nine months of 1979 including a comparison with 1978. It should be noted that progress has been made in reversing the stock withdrawals that occurred between January and September of last year. Stocks at October 1, 1979 for heating oils and diesel fuel (middle distillates) were still below the previous year's level, caused in part by persistent refinery operating problems. The level actually attained was, however, only a little short of what had been programmed. There is, however, some concern over the fact that in October companies did not achieve the level of refinery runs programmed. In part, this appears to have been caused by further operating difficulties; the effect of this shortfall in expected performance is currently being analysed.

The Board's assessment is that sufficient oil for the winter of 1979-80 will be available from Canadian crude oil supplies, foreign oil imports and some draw-down of inventory. However this assessment is based on the assumption that no major disruptions occur in the oil industry.

Consequently, continued public efforts towards conservation are necessary. Lower consumption of gasoline means increased availability of heating oil; lower settings on thermostats in oil-heated houses not only reduce oil bills, but also help stretch available supplies.



The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources has described the oil supply look as "fragile". The following outlines why this description is apt:

1. The increased penetration of the Montreal market by Western Canadian crude oil, together with the curtailment of crude oil imports, effectively used up the "cushion" of shut-in productive capacity in Alberta. Reliance in eastern Canada on western oil rests significantly upon the continued successful operation of the synthetic crude plants of Suncor and Syncrude.
2. Incremental imports of foreign feedstocks are no longer easily obtainable, and there is always the possibility of more difficult conditions developing.
3. Although additional pipeline capacity will be brought into use by December, the Interprovincial-Lakehead pipeline system is being operated at full capability, leaving no leeway to handle minor problems.
4. Operating difficulties at refineries, particularly if they coincide with a prolonged spell of extremely cold weather, can cause reductions in product stocks which are difficult to replace when plants are being operated at peak winter levels and when transportation is difficult.

Against such a background, it would be rash to predict with certainty that Canadians will be free of oil supply problems this winter. At the same time, and while the situation continues to be closely monitored, a number of steps are already being taken to supplement supplies in Eastern Canada. These include extension of commercial "swaps" of crude oil with United States refiners and some imports of refined products.

Periodic meetings between officials of the National Energy Board and the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources and provincial representatives will continue to be held to review the short-term outlook for oil products. The most recent of these meetings was held on November 1, 1979, and the consensus was again that the prospect for the winter remained "tight, but manageable".

REVIEW OF YEAR TO END SEPTEMBER

Quantities cited are in millions of cubic metres; reasonable care has been taken in their compilation but they must be regarded as indicative magnitudes and not as "statistics".

JANUARY-SEPTEMBER

<u>CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT HYDROCARBONS</u> ⁽¹⁾	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>DIFF.</u>	<u>% DIFF.</u>
Domestic production - conventional	57.6	65.5	7.9	13.7
- synthetic	2.0	3.7	1.7	85.0
- total	59.6	69.2	9.6	16.1
Net exchange receipts/(deliveries)	-	(0.1)	(0.1)	-
Imports	23.1	20.8	(2.3)	(10.0)
New supply	82.7	89.9	7.2	8.7
Exports	7.5	7.2	(0.3)	(4.0)
New domestic supply	75.2	82.7	7.5	10.0
(1) Excludes LPG's				
(2) Deliveries - West of Ottawa Valley	42.9	48.0	5.1	11.9
- To Montreal	11.2	13.4	2.2	19.6

REFINING

Feedstock refined	77.8	84.4	6.6	8.5
Output				
- motor gasoline	27.5	29.2	1.7	6.2
- middle distillates	22.3	24.7	2.4	10.8
- heavy fuel oil	12.6	13.5	0.9	7.1
- main products	62.4	67.4	5.0	8.0
- jet fuel	3.5	3.7	0.2	5.7
- balance of output	7.2	8.2	1.0	13.9
- gas, loss & own consumption	4.7	5.1	0.4	8.5
	77.8	84.4	6.6	8.5

(1) By difference - approx. only: includes oil in process

(2) Approx. only

MAIN PRODUCTS' SUPPLY AND DISPOSITION

Output	62.4	67.4	5.0	8.0
Imports	1.5	1.5	-	-
New supply	63.9	68.9	5.0	7.8
Exports	4.6	5.6	1.0	21.7
New domestic supply	59.3	63.3	4.0	6.7

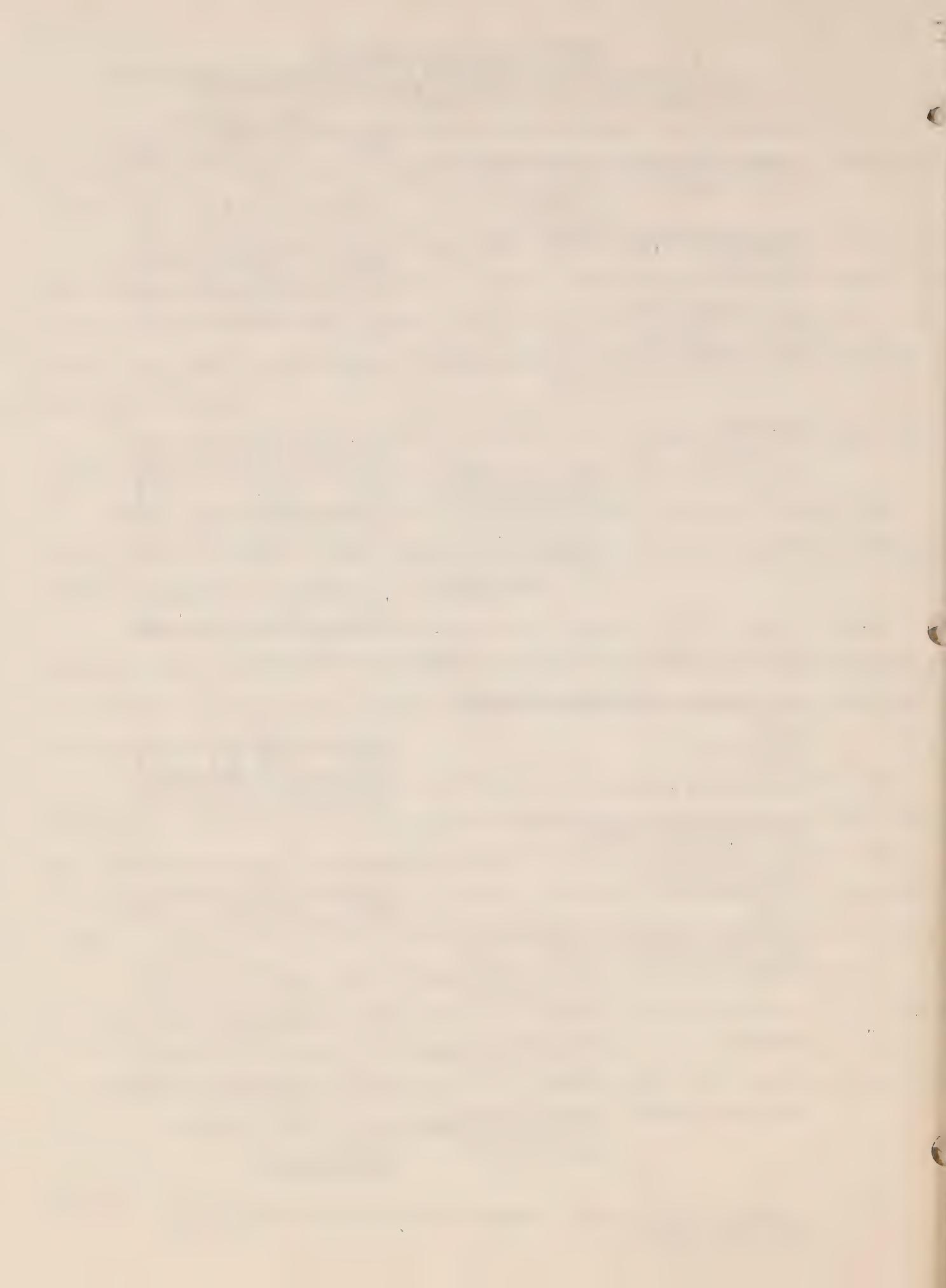
APPARENT DISTRIBUTION DEMAND FOR
MAIN PRODUCTS IN CANADA

Motor gasoline	27.9	29.1	1.2	4.3
Middle distillates	21.9	22.5	0.6	2.7
Heavy fuel oil	11.2	11.5	0.3	2.7
Total	61.0	63.1	2.1	3.4

PUMPABLE STOCKS AT MAIN INSTALLATIONS
OF FINISHED/BLENDABLE PRODUCT

<u>OPENING</u>	- motor gasoline	3.5	2.9	(0.6)	(17.1)
	- middle distillates	6.9	5.1	(1.8)	(26.1)
	- heavy fuel oil	2.0	1.6	(0.4)	(20.0)
	- Total	12.4	9.6	(2.8)	(22.6)
<u>CLOSING</u>	- motor gasoline	2.4	2.3	(0.1)	(4.2)
	- middle distillates	6.6	5.6	(1.0)	(15.2)
	- heavy fuel oil	1.8	2.0	0.2	11.1
	- Total	10.8	9.9	(0.9)	(8.3)
<u>STOCK (DRAFT)/BUILD</u>	- motor gasoline	(1.1)	(0.6)		
	- middle distillates	(0.3)	0.5		
	- heavy fuel oil	(0.2)	0.4		
	- Total	(1.6)	0.3		

Sources: Company reports, NEB operating data and estimates.
Oil Policy Branch
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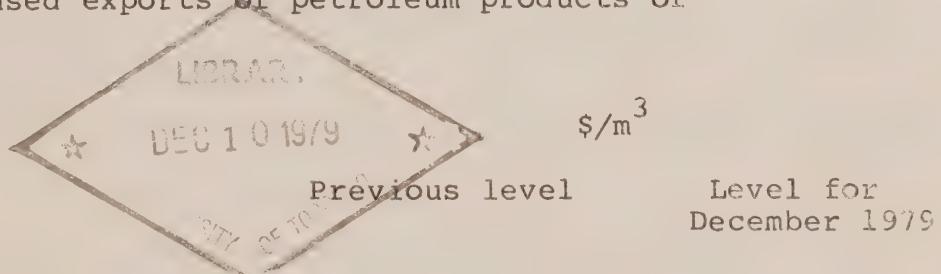
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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - DECEMBER

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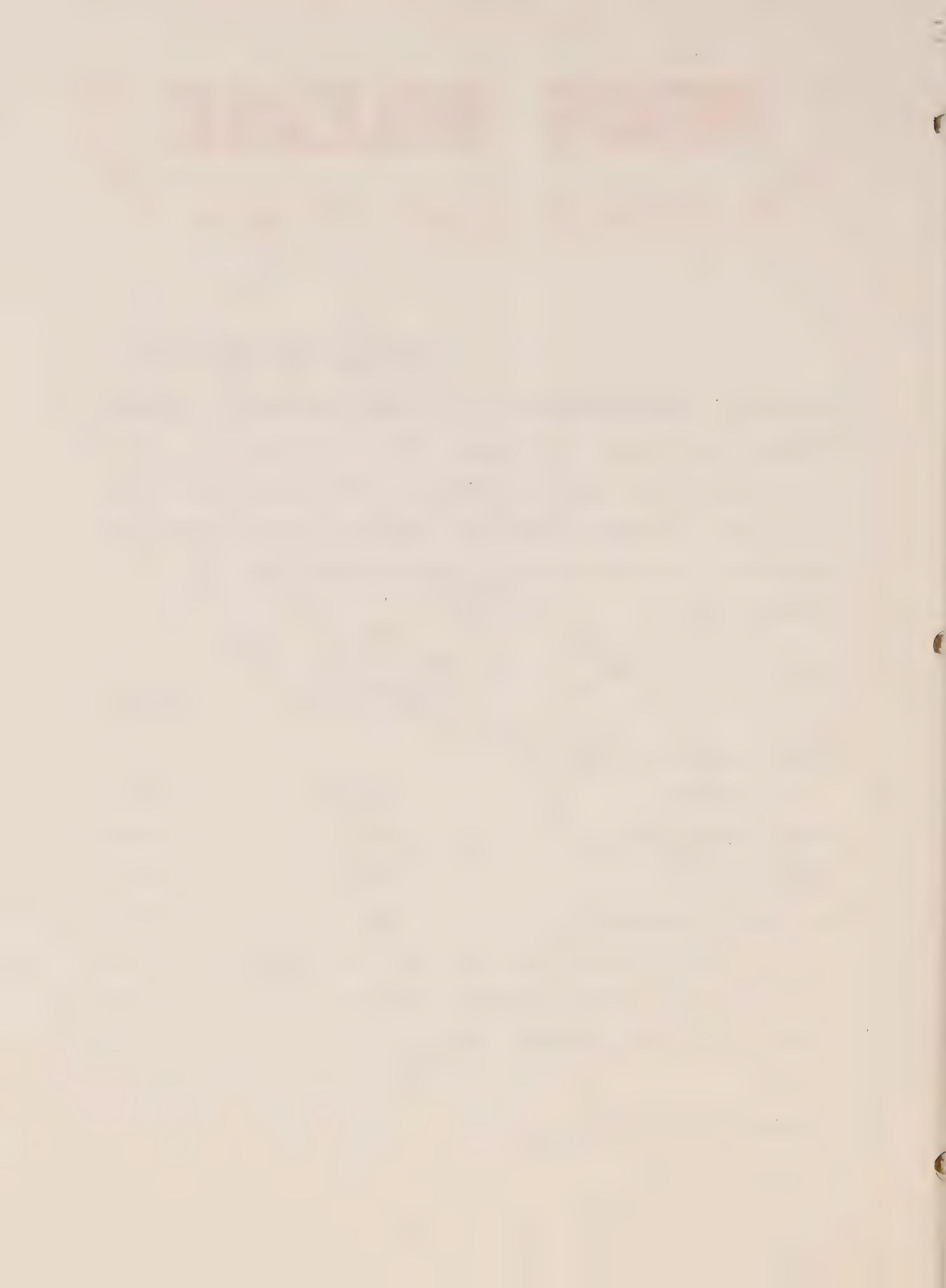
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline

Components	83.40	94.40	
Middle Distillate	92.85	96.00	
Heavy Fuel Oil	62.90	65.15	
Partially Processed Oil	95.35	95.35	

The Minister indicated that the changes in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets and the lower value of the Canadian dollar.

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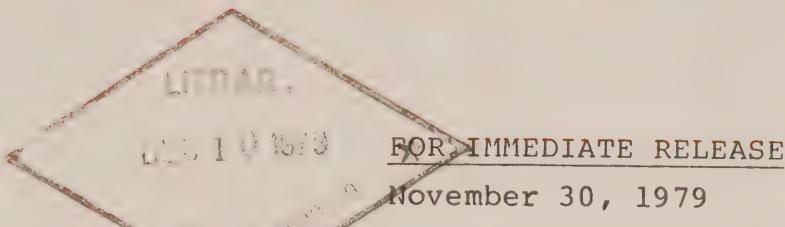
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DECEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OILS & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons be increased for the month of December 1979 and until further notice be set to the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$100.75 a cubic metre to \$119.65 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$102.30 a cubic metre to \$107.00 a cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$105.10 a cubic metre to \$109.80 a cubic metre.

Mr. Hnatyshyn stated that the adjustment for light crude oil reflects increased selling costs for competing crudes. The increase for heavy oil takes account of increased freight costs for similar type crudes. The lower exchange value of the Canadian dollar is reflected in both increments.

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NEB GRANTS FRASER INC. LICENCES FOR POWER EXPORT

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by Fraser Inc. of Edmundston, N.B. for licences to export firm and interruptible power to its subsidiary, Fraser Paper Limited in Madawaska, Maine.

The licences, which commence on January 1, 1980 and end on December 31, 1987, allow exports as follows:

1. Firm power not to exceed 400 gigawatt-hours in any consecutive twelve-month period at a rate not to exceed 60 megawatts.
2. Interruptible energy not to exceed 50 GW.h in any consecutive twelve-month period.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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NEB APPROVES NEW NATURAL GAS EXPORTS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it had authorized new exports of natural gas to the United States totalling 106.2 billion cubic metres of Western Canadian gas (3.75 Tcf (trillion cubic feet) or 4 091 petajoules). This is less than half the amount requested by the ten companies that took part in a public hearing in July and August of this year. During the hearing, the Board considered the interventions of 182 interested parties, including associations, producers, U.S. customers, provincial governments, and others.

The new exports represent an increase of approximately 40 percent over the 260 billion cubic metres (9.4 Tcf or 10 100 petajoules) remaining under previously-issued export licences. The longest term of the new authorizations will be eight years, with some exports commencing on January 1, 1980. All of the new exports will terminate by December 31, 1987. The new exports are the first of any significance approved by the Board since 1970.

The following table provides a summary of the quantities applied for and those granted by the Board:

	Total Requested (000 000's cubic metres)	(Bcf)	Total Granted (000 000's cubic metres)	(Bcf)
Alberta & Southern	20 674	729.8	2 520	88.9
Canadian-Montana	5 887	207.8	2 083	73.5
Columbia	5 779	204.0	2 394 ⁽¹⁾	84.5 ⁽¹⁾
Niagara	3 300	116.5	718	25.3
ProGas	21 600	767.0	17 050	601.9
Sulpetro	1 870	66.0	1 838 ⁽²⁾	64.9 ⁽²⁾
Westcoast	24 077	850.0	6 356	224.4
Pan-Alberta	139 880	4,937.9	51 010	1,800.7
TransCanada	11 331	400.0	10 896	384.6
Consolidated	14 475 <u>248 873</u>	511.0 <u>8,790.0</u>	11 374 <u>106 239</u>	401.5 <u>3,750.2</u>

The Board's findings are contained in a 370-page report released today. The main findings of the report are:

SUPPLY

The Board updated the estimate of reserves it had published in its report on Canadian gas supply and demand in February 1979. In

- (1) 2 394 reflects the current heat content of the gas stream at Huntingdon. At the applied-for equivalent of 1000 Btu/cf gas (on a dry basis), 2 394 would be 2 504.5 (thus 84.5 would be 88.4).
- (2) 1 838 reflects the current heat content of the gas stream at Niagara. At the applied-for equivalent of 1000 Btu/cf gas (on a dry basis), 1 838 would be 1 870 (thus 64.9 would be 66.0)

that report it had estimated established reserves in the conventional producing areas of Canada to be 69.7 exajoules (66.1 Tcf) at the end of 1978. The Board has now made a preliminary estimate that reserves at the end of 1979 will be 75.7 exajoules (about 71.8 Tcf), some 6.0 exajoules (5.7 Tcf) higher than its February 1979 estimate for the previous year-end.

The Board did not revise the estimate of reserves in frontier areas contained in its February report. As in that report, the Board has made no allowance for frontier reserves when calculating surplus.

CANADIAN REQUIREMENTS

Because of the rapid increase in the international price of oil during 1979, the Board decided to review its previously-published forecast of Canadian requirements for natural gas. As a result, it revised downwards its earlier forecast for gas requirements in Canada, but decided that for purposes of determining natural gas surplus, it would use the earlier forecast, which, being higher, would afford a greater degree of protection for future Canadian requirements.

The Board's forecast includes an estimate of potential sales of gas in expansion markets, particularly in Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces, and this demand is included as part of Canadian requirements in the Board's surplus calculation.

SURPLUS

The Board calculated surplus using its new estimate of

reserves and deliverability and its February 1979 forecast of Canadian requirements. The Board's findings, based on applying its three surplus tests, are:

- (a) the Current Deliverability Test, comparing estimated annual deliverability from established reserves with estimated annual Canadian requirements plus previously-authorized exports, resulted in a surplus of 4.8 exajoules (about 4.5 Tcf);
- (b) the Current Reserves Test, comparing the inventory of established reserves with 25 times the first year's forecast Canadian demand plus previously-authorized exports, resulted in a surplus of 10.6 exajoules (about 10 Tcf); and
- (c) the Future Deliverability Test, comparing estimated annual deliverability from established reserves and from additions to these reserves with estimated annual Canadian demand plus previously-authorized exports, resulted in a surplus of 14.5 exajoules (about 13.8 Tcf).

The Board concluded it could authorize exports of the volumes found to be surplus under the most restrictive test, i.e., the Current Deliverability Test. The Board decided it could approve the full amount of exports applied for in the first five years of the forecast period, i.e., 1980 through 1984, and lesser amounts through 1987. The new licences incorporate, in general, a phasing down of exports by 25 percent per year of the quantities sought,

providing for exports in 1985 at 75 percent, followed by 50 percent in 1986, and 25 percent in 1987. This resulted in the authorization of exports totalling 4.1 exajoules compared to the theoretical maximum of 4.8 exajoules.

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

The Board conducted a cost-benefit analysis of its decision, finding that net economic benefits of some \$6.5 billion would accrue to the Canadian economy as a result of the new export authorizations. The net economic benefits reflect the effect on the economy of making new exports, compared with the alternative of keeping the gas in the ground until it could be used at some future time to meet Canadian requirements.

The new exports will be priced in the same way that currently authorized exports are sold. At the current export price of \$3.22 (U.S.) per gigajoule (about \$3.45 (U.S.) per Mcf), the contribution of the new exports to Canada's balance of payments during the eight-year term of the new licences would be some \$13.2 billion (U.S.). At the current exchange rate, this represents about \$15.4 billion (Cdn) in gross new revenues to Canada.

IMPACT ON THE PREBUILDING OF SOUTHERN PORTIONS OF THE ALASKAN NATURAL GAS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (ANGTS)

Just less than one-half of the new exports, 51 billion cubic metres (about 1.8 Tcf), will go to Pan-Alberta Gas Ltd. for exports

through prebuilt southern sections of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas Pipeline.

Pan-Alberta tied its application directly to the proposal to prebuild the southern sections of the Foothills (Yukon) pipeline system, with the gas to be transported on the U.S. side of the international boundary by prebuilt pipelines (the "Western Leg" for gas destined for California and the "Eastern Leg" for gas destined for the U.S. Midwest, i.e., the Northern Border pipeline) that are also part of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas Pipeline.

The object of prebuilding is clear. The shipment of Canadian gas through the prebuilt sections would provide for the early creation of new delivery capability for export of Alberta gas and at the same time assist the financeability of the whole Alaska Highway Natural Gas Pipeline.

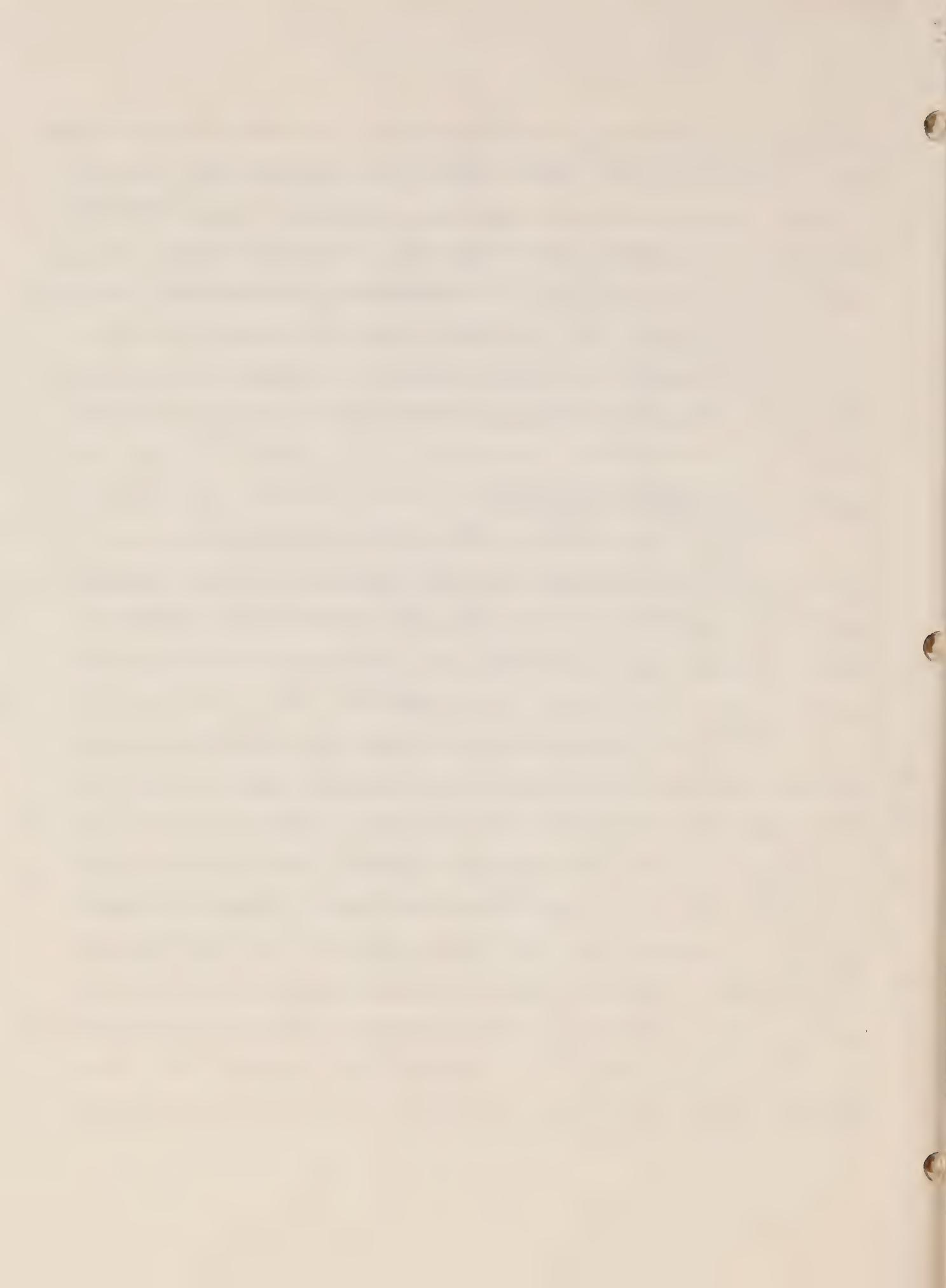
The Board has approved the issuance of licences to Pan-Alberta that would foster prebuilding of the southern sections of the Foothills system. However, while the Board acknowledged that the dedication of export volumes to the prebuilt facilities would give a significant boost to the entire project, it felt that the need for the continuation of exports of Canadian gas through the Foothills system, after Alaska gas begins to flow, was not established. At the same time, the Board concluded that if Pan-Alberta were to be authorized to export gas via existing pipelines prior to the completion of the prebuilt pipelines, there might be less incentive .

to proceed expeditiously with prebuilding. The Board therefore found that it would be in the public interest to condition the licences to be issued to Pan-Alberta to authorize the exports through the prebuilt facilities of Foothills only. Furthermore, the Board found that it should approve the full volume of exports requested through 1984, and reduced volumes under the phase-down procedure through 1987. As Alaska gas is scheduled to begin flowing in 1984-1985, deliveries of that gas are expected to commence as the Pan-Alberta exports phase down.

IMPACT ON TRANSCANADA PIPELINES

Because several of the export proposals would require expansion of the TransCanada PipeLines system, the Board assessed whether the expansion of the TransCanada system, necessitated by export approvals now, would result in the creation of unnecessary surplus capacity when exports terminate.

The Board found that the new exports resulting from this decision would not create, in future, surplus capacity in the TransCanada system of such magnitude as to suggest that some or all of the exports should not be approved. Indeed, there would appear to be considerable merit in "prebuilding" facilities on the TransCanada system to accommodate not only new exports now, but also subsequent future growth in Eastern Canadian markets, while at the same time contributing to improved security of supply on the TransCanada system.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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NEB SECOND STATEMENT RE SHORT-TERM PRODUCT SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its latest opinion concerning the outlook for winter oil supplies and provided details of oil industry operations up to the end of October. (see attached Appendices).

The Board stated that the supply situation has tightened over the past month but stressed that the picture remained one of continued concern rather than alarm.

The main causes for this less favourable outlook are an uncertain supply situation which is exacerbated by continued high Canadian demand for petroleum products.

An NEB official indicated that "there has been a reduction in aggregate feedstock supply from Western Canada and abroad." Production in Alberta through next March is now forecast to be approximately 20,000 barrels a day lower than previously expected. A series of changes has been made in the import programs of a number of companies since October; some of these have involved increases but the net effect is one of reduction. Importers are revising their import plans and this is being closely observed.

Country-wide, the Board's current expectation is a very tight situation for heating oils. This condition will also apply for motor gasoline on the Prairies and in British Columbia, where product availability will remain highly dependent on maximum operation of available refining capacity.

Reiterating earlier statements made by the Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Board stressed that "Canadians must reduce oil consumption." Less and slower driving, lower thermostat settings and greater use of car pools, public transport and smaller automobiles would cheaply and quickly eliminate a good deal of the concern over gasoline and heating oil supply. The Board noted that some progress in this regard is being made but that there is still a long way to go. For instance, demand this year over last year for the main oil fuels on the Prairies and in British Columbia is up more than 7 percent; for motor gasoline more than 5.3 percent.

Such unexpected demand increases have made more difficult the task of refiners upon whom the burden of product supply largely falls. Their supplies of domestic feedstock are already fully stretched and they can no longer count upon ready access to additional supplies of foreign oil. Accordingly the first requirement for improvement in the winter supply outlook is reduced consumption by Canadians.

The Board believes that adjustments in supply programs are required and will be forthcoming. Such measures, together with the need for stringent export controls and reduced consumer demand will be discussed at the next meeting of federal and provincial officials to be held shortly.

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CANADA: REVIEW OF OIL OPERATIONS - YEAR TO END OF OCTOBER

Quantities cited are in millions of cubic metres: reasonable care has been taken in their compilation but they must be regarded as indicative magnitudes and not as "statistics".

	<u>JANUARY - OCTOBER</u>			
	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>DIFF</u>	<u>% DIFF</u>
FEEDSTOCK SUPPLY				
Crude and equivalent production				
- conventional	64.6	73.1	8.5	13.2
- synthetic	2.2	4.3	2.1	95.5
Total	<u>66.8</u>	<u>77.4</u>	<u>10.6</u>	<u>15.9</u>
Blended Butanes	0.9	0.8	(0.1)	(11.1)
Imports	<u>25.2</u>	<u>23.4</u>	<u>(1.8)</u>	<u>(7.1)</u>
Sub-total	<u>92.9</u>	<u>101.6</u>	<u>8.7</u>	<u>9.4</u>
Exports	8.3	7.8	(0.5)	(6.0)
New Supply	<u>84.6</u>	<u>93.8</u>	<u>9.2</u>	<u>10.9</u>
Exchange transactions				
- Deliveries - mid-continent	(4.1)	(3.9)	0.2	4.9
- Eastern Canadian	-	(2.1)	(2.1)	-
Total	<u>(4.1)</u>	<u>(6.0)</u>	<u>(1.9)</u>	<u>(46.6)</u>
- Receipts	4.1	3.9	(0.2)	(4.9)
- mid-continent	-	2.1	2.1	-
Total	<u>4.1</u>	<u>6.0</u>	<u>1.9</u>	<u>46.6</u>
Net (deliveries)/receipts	-	-	-	-
Stock (build)/draft in refinery and main pipeline tankage	(0.1)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(300.0)
Total apparent domestic supply	84.5	93.4	8.9	10.5
REFINING				
Feedstock run (incl. some re-runs)	87.0	94.0	7.0	8.0
Output - motor gasoline	30.7	32.5	1.8	5.9
- middle distillates	24.8	27.5	2.7	10.9
- heavy fuel oil	14.0	14.9	0.9	6.4
Total main products	<u>69.5</u>	<u>74.9</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>7.8</u>
- jet fuel	3.9	4.2	0.3	7.7
- balance of output/oil in process	7.3	8.1	0.8	11.0
- gas, loss and own consumption (approx.)	6.3	6.8	0.5	7.9
Total	<u>87.0</u>	<u>94.0</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>8.0</u>
MAIN PRODUCTS' SUPPLY AND DISPOSITION				
Outputs	69.5	74.9	5.4	7.8
Imports	1.7	1.8	0.1	5.9
New supply	<u>71.2</u>	<u>76.7</u>	<u>5.5</u>	<u>7.7</u>
Exports	5.1	6.1	1.0	19.6
New domestic supply	<u>66.1</u>	<u>70.6</u>	<u>4.5</u>	<u>6.8</u>
APPARENT DISTRIBUTION DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS IN CANADA				
Motor gasoline	31.1	32.5	1.4	4.5
Middle distillates	24.4	24.8	0.4	1.6
Heavy fuel oil	12.6	12.8	0.2	1.6
Total	<u>68.1</u>	<u>70.1</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.9</u>
PUMPABLE STOCKS AT MAIN INSTALLATIONS OF FINISHED/BLENDABLE PRODUCT				
Opening - motor gasoline	3.5	2.9	(0.6)	(17.1)
- middle distillates	6.9	5.1	(1.8)	(26.1)
- heavy fuel oil	2.0	1.6	(0.4)	(20.0)
Total	<u>12.4</u>	<u>9.6</u>	<u>(2.8)</u>	<u>(22.6)</u>
Closing - motor gasoline	2.3	2.3	-	-
- middle distillates	6.4	6.0	(0.4)	(6.3)
- heavy fuel oil	1.7	1.9	0.2	11.8
Total	<u>10.4</u>	<u>10.2</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(1.9)</u>
Stock (draft)/build - motor gasoline	(1.2)	(0.6)		
- middle distillates	(0.5)	0.9		
- heavy fuel oil	(0.3)	0.3		
Total	<u>(2.0)</u>	<u>0.6</u>		

CANADA: REVIEW OF REGIONAL SUPPLY - YEAR TO END OF OCTOBER

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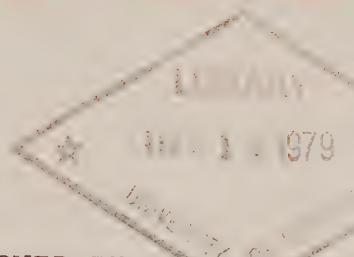
	JANUARY - OCTOBER					
	Ontario and eastern Canada			Western Canada		
	1978	1979	%	1978	1979	%
<u>FEEDSTOCK RECEIPTS</u>						
Domestic - direct	34.7	40.2	15.7	22.0	25.0	13.6
Exchange oil	<u>4.0</u>	<u>5.8</u>	<u>46.1</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>(23.0)</u>
Sub-total*	<u>38.7</u>	<u>46.0</u>	<u>18.9</u>	<u>22.1</u>	<u>25.1</u>	<u>13.3</u>
Foreign	25.2	23.4	(8.6)	-	-	-
Total	<u>63.9</u>	<u>69.3</u>	<u>8.5</u>	<u>22.1</u>	<u>25.1</u>	<u>13.3</u>
<u>FEEDSTOCK RUN</u>	<u>64.5</u>	<u>68.9</u>	<u>6.9</u>	<u>22.6</u>	<u>25.1</u>	<u>11.4</u>
<u>REFINERY OUTPUT OF MAIN PRODUCTS</u>						
Motor gasoline	20.6	21.6	4.9	10.1	10.9	7.9
Middle distillates	18.0	19.8	10.0	6.8	7.6	12.3
Heavy fuel oil	<u>12.6</u>	<u>13.3</u>	<u>5.9</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>11.6</u>
Total	<u>51.2</u>	<u>54.7</u>	<u>6.9</u>	<u>18.4</u>	<u>20.2</u>	<u>9.8</u>
<u>NET INTER-REGIONAL TRANSFERS IN (OUT)</u>						
Motor gasoline	0.1	0.2	(0.1)	(0.2)		
Middle distillates	0.1	0.1	(0.1)	(0.1)		
Heavy fuel oil	-	0.1	-	(0.1)		
Total	<u>0.2</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>		
<u>NET (EXPORTS)/IMPORTS</u>						
Motor gasoline	(0.7)	(0.7)	(11.6)	-	(0.1)	498.9
Middle distillates	(0.9)	(1.7)	94.0	-	-	(139.0)
Heavy fuel oil	<u>(1.6)</u>	<u>(1.6)</u>	<u>5.1</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(11.2)</u>
Total	<u>(3.2)</u>	<u>(4.0)</u>	<u>26.1</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>41.5</u>
<u>APPARENT DISTRIBUTION DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>						
Motor gasoline	20.7	21.5	3.8	10.4	11.0	5.3
Middle distillates	17.6	17.2	(2.1)	6.9	7.6	10.8
Heavy fuel oil	<u>11.4</u>	<u>11.5</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>1.3</u>	<u>10.7</u>
Total	<u>49.7</u>	<u>50.2</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>18.5</u>	<u>19.9</u>	<u>7.7</u>
<u>PUMPABLE STOCKS AT MAIN INSTALLATIONS OF FINISHED/ BLENDABLE PRODUCT</u>						
Opening - motor gasoline	2.5	2.2	(15.2)	0.9	0.8	(18.5)
- middle distillates	5.8	4.1	(29.5)	1.1	1.0	(10.6)
- heavy fuel oil	<u>1.9</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>(21.4)</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>17.9</u>
Total	<u>10.3</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>(24.5)</u>	<u>2.1</u>	<u>1.9</u>	<u>(12.5)</u>
Closing - motor gasoline	1.8	1.8	(2.5)	0.5	0.5	(4.7)
- middle distillates	5.5	5.1	(6.0)	1.0	0.9	(12.7)
- heavy fuel oil	<u>1.6</u>	<u>1.8</u>	<u>13.0</u>	<u>0.2</u>	<u>0.2</u>	<u>7.6</u>
Total	<u>8.8</u>	<u>8.7</u>	<u>(1.9)</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>(8.2)</u>
(Draft)/build						
- motor gasoline	(0.7)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.3)		
- middle distillates	(0.3)	1.0	(0.1)	(0.1)		
- heavy fuel oil	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>0.3</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>0.1</u>		
Total	<u>(1.5)</u>	<u>0.9</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>		
* Including Montreal	12.8	16.0	24.9			

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NEB TO HEAR NIAGARA POWER EXPORT APPLICATION

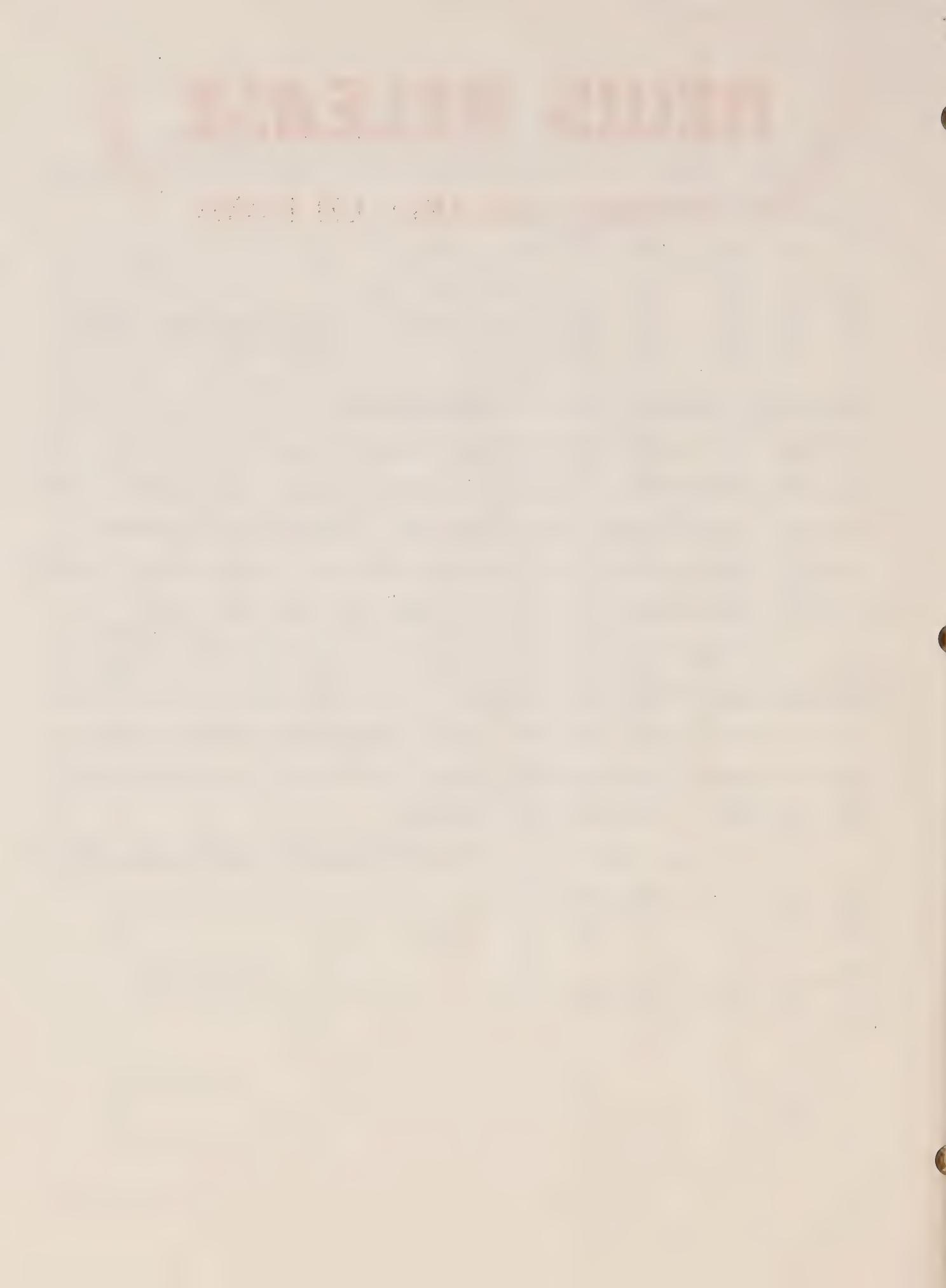
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on January 30, 1980, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert St., Ottawa, Ontario, concerning an application by Canadian Niagara Power Company Limited for licences to export firm and interruptible power.

Niagara Power has applied for five-year licences to export 130 million kilowatt-hours a year of firm power and energy at a rate not to exceed 35,062 kilowatts and to export 250 million kilowatt-hours a year of interruptible energy. The exports would be made in the vicinity of Niagara Falls, Ontario.

The Board has set a deadline of Monday, January 21, 1980 for the filing of interventions.

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NEB RELEASES TRAMS-NORTHERN TOLLS DECISION

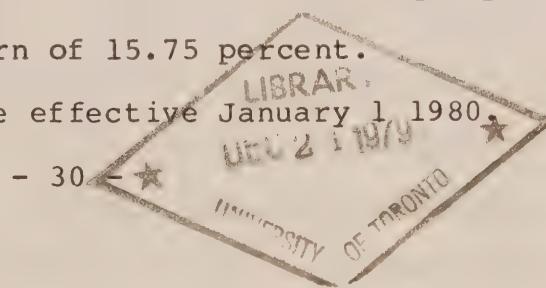
The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision on the Application by Trans-Northern Pipe Line Company for higher tolls. The Company had requested an increase in the average toll of 5 percent but the Board decision reduced the existing tolls by the same percentage. The largest decrease in tolls will be to the airports at Toronto, Dorval and Mirabel. This is because the charges for the airport laterals will no longer be priced incrementally, but averaged with the other parts of the transmission system.

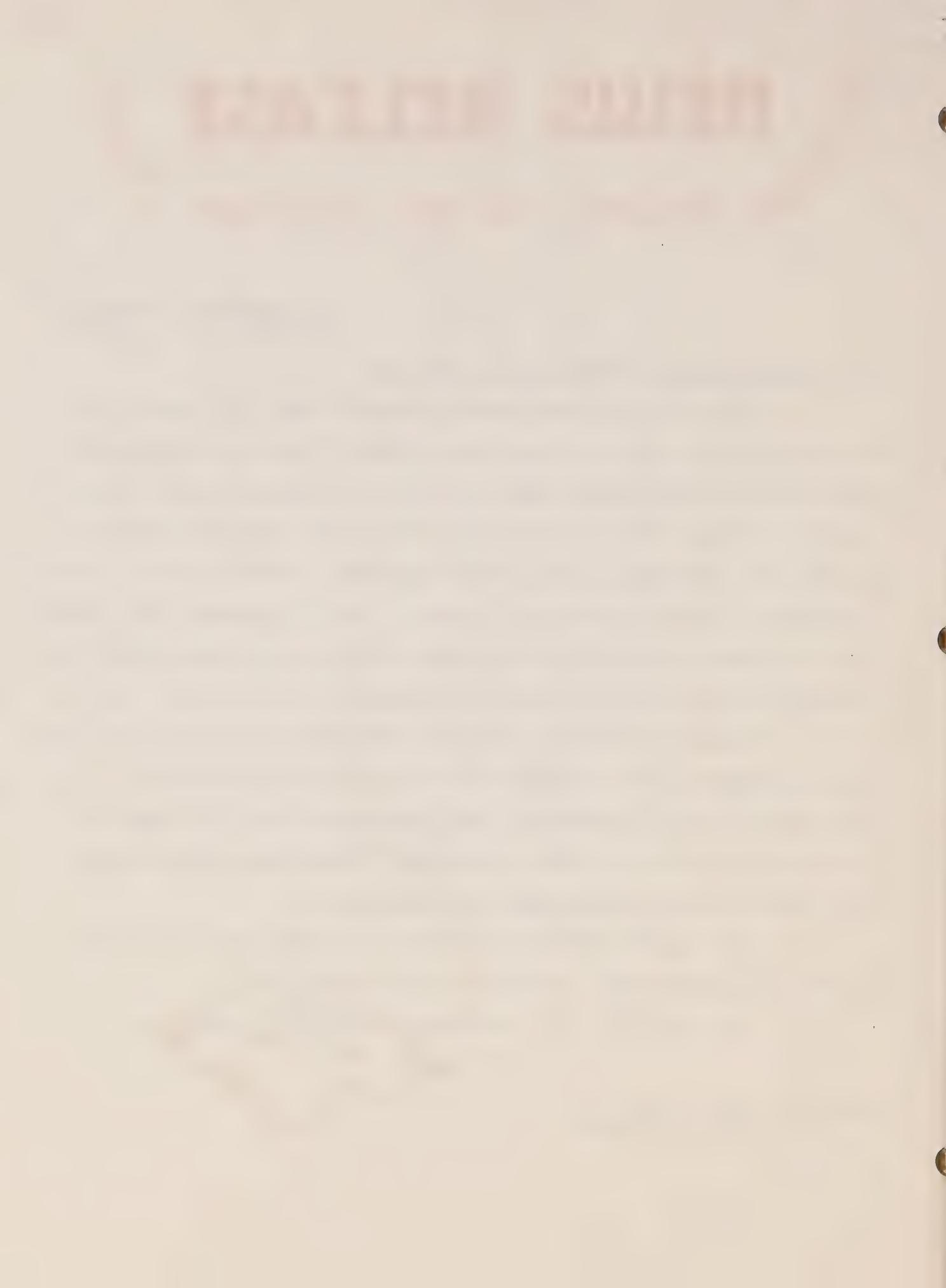
Trans-Northern had asked for the net value of its rate base to be increased by \$3.7 million, now that it was to be fully regulated, since it claimed to have over-depreciated its assets in the period from 1952 to 1962. The Board judged that a revaluation adjustment of \$1.0 million would be appropriate.

The Company requested a return on common equity of 17.3 percent and was awarded a return of 15.75 percent.

The new tolls will be effective January 1, 1980.

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NEB RELEASES PHASE III DECISION ON Foothills (Yukon) TARIFF AND FINANCING MATTERS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Decision on Phase III of the hearing into the Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. application with respect to tariffs and financing of the Canadian portion of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas Pipeline.

The Phase III Decision reviews certain parts of the Phase I Decision on the main line tariff, specifies the rate of return under the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme, and clarifies certain minor tariff items pertaining to the Phase I Decision on the main line tariff and Phase II Decision on the "prebuild" tariff.

Foothills (Yukon) applied for a review of those aspects of the Phase I Decision relating to the commencement of the tariff, the minimum bill and interim rate, and tariff provisions should a sustained outage of the pipeline over 30 days occur in the operating phase. The Board held a review of this application but reaffirmed its earlier decision. While the Board recognizes the concern of Foothills (Yukon) should any significant delay occur in the start of the flow of gas from Alaska once the pipeline in Canada is complete, the Board believes this matter relates more to financing than the tariff and directed that it be addressed in Phase IV of the hearing which will deal with financing matters.

In January 1979, the Board issued a proposal for the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme which was presented for final review during Phase III of the hearing. The Board's Decision modifies the January 1979 proposal eliminating the effect of inflation outside Foothills (Yukon)'s control and increases the rate of return as a result of new evidence adduced on the risks associated with the construction of the pipeline. Regulations pertaining to the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme are presently being reviewed by the Governor-in-Council.

No date has yet been set for Phase IV of the hearing, during which the financing of the pipeline, including the "prebuild" segments, will be examined.

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ALBERTA NATURAL GAS FILES SUBMISSION WITH N.E.B.

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has received a submission from the Alberta Natural Gas Company Ltd. concerning the company's gas pipeline tolls and tariffs.

The submission is in response to a letter sent on June 28, 1979 which stated that since the Foothills (Yukon) gas pipeline systems will be regulated by the Board and since charges from Alberta Natural Gas will form part of the Foothills (South B.C.) tariff, the Board believed that the cost of service of Alberta Natural should be formally regulated.

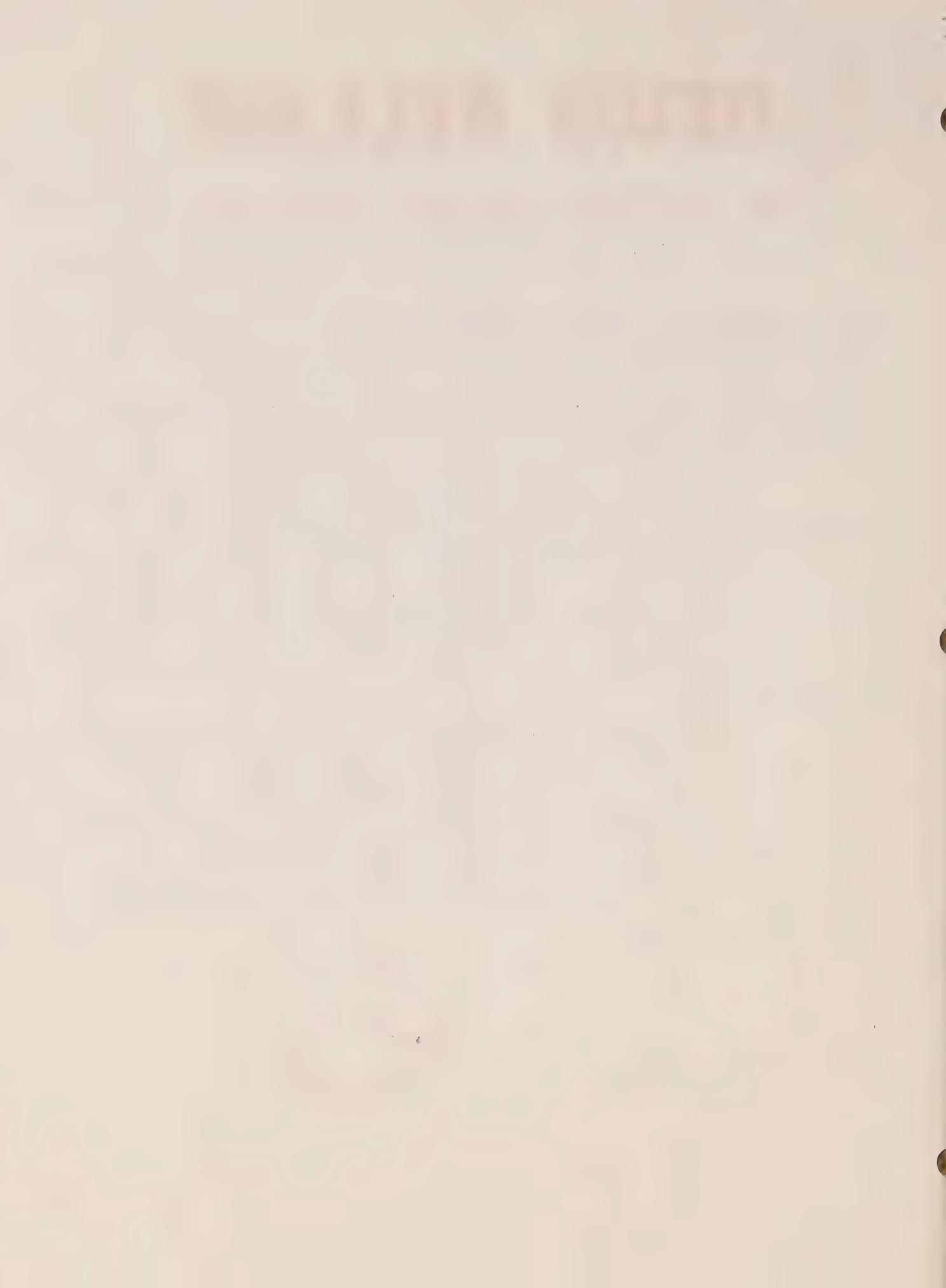
It is expected that the Board will hold a public hearing on the submission some time in the first quarter of 1980.

The submission is available for viewing in the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, and at the offices of the Alberta Natural Gas Company, 240 Fourth Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - JANUARY, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of January, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

	Previous level	\$/m ³	Level for January 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline			

Components	94.40	97.55
Middle Distillate	96.00	97.55
Heavy Fuel Oil	65.15	67.35
Partially Processed Oil	95.35	97.55

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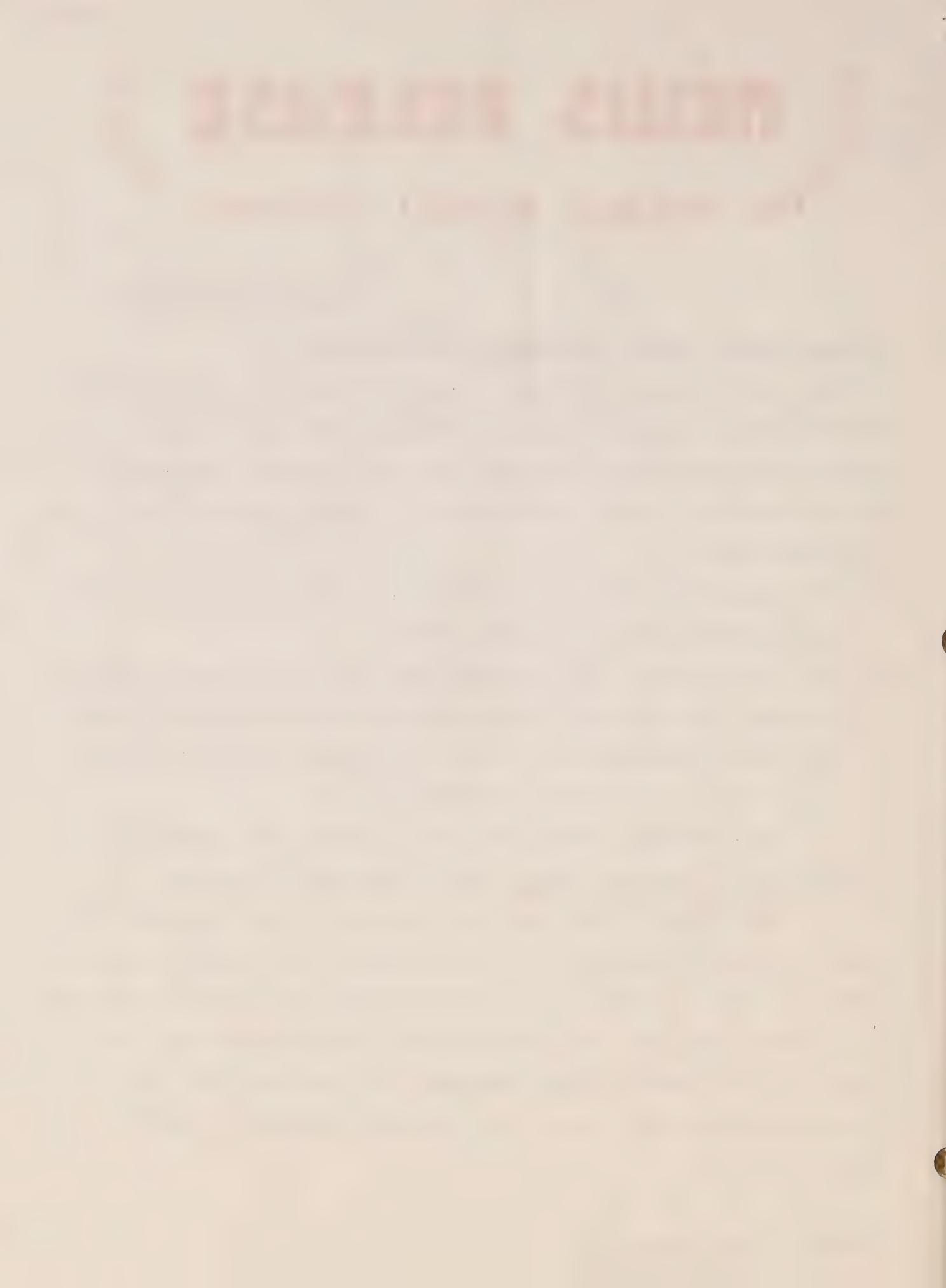
JANUARY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of January, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$119.65 a cubic metre to \$138.55 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$107.00 a cubic metre to \$113.30 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$109.80 per cubic metre to \$116.10 a cubic metre.

Mr. Hnatyshyn stated that the increases are designed to reflect recent crude oil price hikes by some OPEC countries.

The Minister also said that, because of the increase in the domestic price of Canadian crude oil scheduled for January 1, the effective export charges on oil entering the export pipe line systems on or after that date will be the amounts shown above, less the amount of the domestic price increase. Mr. Hnatyshyn said that this has been the practice for previous general increases in domestic crude oil prices.



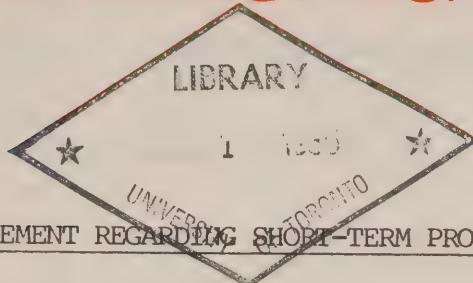
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JANUARY NEB STATEMENT REGARDING SHORT-TERM PRODUCT SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board stated today that it continues to expect that supplies of oil products will remain tight but manageable through the rest of the winter.

The mild weather experienced country-wide so far this season has reduced demands for heating oil. The Board cautioned, however, that there are still uncertainties with respect to both crude oil and oil product supply.

1. Conventional light crude oil is being produced at capacity, so that no extra productive capacity exists to replace any shortfalls which may occur in programmed outputs of synthetic crude oil.
2. Reductions in available supplies of foreign crude from traditional sources in 1980 have not wholly been replaced by planned imports.
3. Fulfillment of companies' refining programmes depends on no plant upsets, particularly during spells of extreme cold when product inventories must be drawn down sharply.

The Board noted that some companies had recently made timely imports of light oil product to the east and west coasts and said that encouragement was being given to refiners in Ontario and Quebec to process more heavy domestic crude oil when this could be arranged to benefit the total supply situation.

For the most part, the Board was satisfied that refiners are responding well in meeting supply obligations. Their task could be eased by public restraint in oil

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consumption. If the oil industry suffers no major disruption, oil product supplies should be adequate through the remainder of the winter season.

The attached statements provide comparative historical data on supply in Canada over the January - November periods of the last two years.

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HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 11 MONTHS ENDING NOVEMBER 30

	ATLANTIC REGION						QUEBEC REGION						ONTARIO REGION					
	Millions of Cubic metres			Millions of Cubic metres			Millions of Cubic metres			Millions of Cubic metres			Millions of Cubic metres			Millions of Cubic metres		
	1978	1979	Diff.	1978	1979	Diff.	1978	1979	Diff.	1978	1979	Diff.	1978	1979	Diff.	1978	1979	Diff.
REFINERY RECEIPTS																		
Domestic feedstock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign feedstock - imports	14.3	16.4	2.1	15.1	13.2	14.8	1.6	11.5	25.4	29.5	4.1	16.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
- exchange receipts	-	0.6	0.6	1.1	3.3	9.1	(4.4)	(32.4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.5	(0.2)	(0.7)	(142.0)	(0.3)	2.2	115.2	3.4	2.5	(0.9)	(0.1)	56.4	(27.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Net new supply	14.8	16.8	2.0	13.4	27.8	26.9	(0.9)	(0.9)	28.6	31.9	3.1	11.5	3.3	3.3	11.5	3.3	3.3	11.5
REFINERY PRODUCTION																		
Motor gasoline	3.8	4.1	0.3	7.7	8.5	8.4	(0.1)	(1.4)	10.6	11.5	0.9	8.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	4.9	5.8	0.9	19.5	8.3	8.0	(0.3)	(4.0)	6.9	8.2	1.3	18.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heavy fuel oil	4.3	5.2	0.9	21.2	5.2	4.8	(0.4)	(8.6)	4.4	4.7	0.3	5.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total main products	13.0	15.0	2.0	16.6	22.0	21.2	(0.8)	(4.1)	21.9	24.4	2.5	10.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jet fuel	0.6	0.5	(0.1)	(20.8)	1.1	1.1	-	3.6	1.1	1.2	0.1	11.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance of output/oil in process	0.3	0.2	(0.1)	(33.3)	2.8	2.8	-	-	3.1	4.4	1.3	41.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.9	1.0	0.1	13.1	1.9	1.8	(0.1)	(5.6)	2.9	3.2	0.3	10.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	14.8	16.8	2.0	13.7	27.8	26.9	(0.9)	(3.3)	29.0	32.2	3.2	11.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS (motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)																		
Refinery outputs	13.0	15.1	2.1	16.6	22.0	21.2	(0.8)	(4.1)	21.9	24.4	2.5	10.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Imports	0.1	-	52.9	1.5	1.5	1.5	-	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New supply	13.1	15.2	2.1	16.8	23.5	22.7	(0.8)	(3.6)	21.9	24.4	2.5	10.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Exports	1.7	2.9	1.2	73.0	1.6	1.4	(0.2)	(11.6)	2.0	1.8	(0.2)	(9.5)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net domestic supply	11.4	12.3	0.9	8.6	21.9	21.3	(0.6)	(3.1)	19.9	22.6	2.7	10.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS																		
Motor gasoline	3.0	3.2	0.2	5.6	9.1	9.2	0.1	0.9	10.8	11.2	0.4	4.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle distillates	3.9	3.8	(0.1)	(2.3)	8.6	8.1	(0.5)	(5.7)	7.2	7.5	0.3	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heavy fuel oil	4.6	5.0	0.4	10.9	4.8	5.1	0.3	5.5	3.4	2.7	(0.7)	(19.7)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	11.5	12.0	0.5	5.0	22.5	22.4	(0.1)	(3.1)	21.4	21.4	-	10.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF NOVEMBER 30																		
Motor gasoline	0.33	0.37	0.04	11.2	0.75	0.79	0.04	5.1	0.90	0.92	0.02	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle distillates	0.94	0.87	(0.07)	(7.1)	2.31	2.18	(0.13)	(5.8)	1.78	1.85	0.07	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heavy fuel oil	0.26	0.42	0.16	63.2	0.77	0.54	(0.23)	(29.3)	0.50	0.53	0.03	5.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.53	1.66	0.13	8.8	3.83	3.51	(0.32)	(8.4)	3.18	3.30	0.12	3.9	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	PRAIRIES						BRITISH COLUMBIA						TOTAL CANADA					
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<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>																		
Domestic feedstock	16.3	18.7	2.4	14.8	7.9	8.8	0.9	10.7	63.0	71.9	8.9	14.1						
Foreign feedstock - imports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27.8	25.6	(2.2)	(7.9)						
- exchange receipts	0.2	0.1	(0.1)	(33.5)	-	-	-	-	4.7	6.5	1.8	40.6						
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.1	-	(0.1)	(146.6)	0.1	(0.1)	(0.1)	(127.4)	0.7	(0.7)	(1.4)	(220.6)						
Net new supply	16.6	18.8	2.2	12.9	8.0	8.8	0.8	9.6	96.2	103.3	7.1	7.6						
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>																		
Motor gasoline	7.9	8.5	0.6	7.8	3.4	3.6	0.2	6.8	34.2	36.1	1.9	5.5						
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	4.8	5.5	0.7	14.4	2.7	2.9	0.2	9.1	27.6	30.4	2.8	10.2						
Heavy fuel oil	0.8	0.9	0.1	1.7	0.8	0.9	0.1	22.3	15.6	16.5	0.9	5.7						
Total main products	13.5	14.9	1.4	9.7	6.9	7.4	0.5	9.5	77.4	83.0	5.6	7.2						
Jet fuel	0.9	1.1	0.2	20.7	0.5	0.6	0.1	22.8	4.2	4.5	0.3	7.5						
Balance of output/oil in process	1.7	2.0	0.3	17.6	0.1	0.3	0.2	200.0	8.0	8.8	0.8	10.0						
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.8	0.9	0.1	11.8	0.5	0.5	-	9.9	7.0	7.5	0.5	7.4						
Total	16.9	18.9	2.0	11.9	8.0	8.8	0.8	10.0	96.6	103.8	7.2	7.4						
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS</u>																		
(motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)	13.5	14.9	1.4	9.7	6.9	7.4	0.5	9.5	77.4	83.0	5.6	7.2						
Refinery outputs	-	-	-	-	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.9	1.9	-	2.5						
Imports	13.5	14.9	1.4	9.7	7.1	7.7	0.6	9.1	79.3	84.9	5.6	7.1						
New Supply	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.8	-	0.1	0.1	116.4	5.7	6.6	0.9	15.9						
Exports					10.0	7.1	0.5	8.5	73.6	78.3	4.7	6.4						
Net domestic supply	13.0	14.4	1.4	10.0	-	7.6	0.5	-	75.7	77.9	2.2	2.7						
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>																		
Motor gasoline	7.7	8.1	0.4	4.8	3.9	3.7	0.2	6.1	34.3	35.6	1.3	3.8						
Middle distillates	4.5	5.0	0.5	10.6	2.8	3.1	0.3	12.2	27.3	27.9	0.6	1.9						
Heavy fuel oil	0.3	0.3	0.3	-	(13.8)	1.0	1.2	0.2	17.8	14.1	14.4	0.3	1.6					
Total	12.5	13.4	0.9	6.4	-	7.4	0.2	10.0	75.7	77.9	2.2	2.7						
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF NOVEMBER 30</u>																		
Motor gasoline	0.43	0.45	0.02	5.0	0.17	0.15	(0.02)	(8.5)	2.60	2.69	0.09	3.7						
Middle distillates	0.52	0.51	(0.01)	(2.1)	0.38	0.32	(0.06)	(15.2)	5.95	5.75	(0.20)	(3.4)						
Heavy fuel oil	0.07	0.05	(0.02)	(2.1)	0.07	0.10	0.03	33.2	1.67	1.65	(0.02)	(1.4)						
Total	1.02	1.01	(0.01)	(0.5)	-	0.62	0.57	(0.05)	(7.7)	10.22	10.09	(0.13)	(1.3)					

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JET B FUEL AND AVIATION GASOLINE NOW UNDER NEB EXPORT CONTROL

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that the Governor in Council has approved amendments to the National Energy Board Part VI Regulations and to the Petroleum Administration Act Part I Regulations bringing Jet B turbo fuel and aviation gasoline under the Board's export licensing authority.

The original decision in 1973 to exclude these products from export control was taken primarily on the grounds that exports were small and irregular and that freedom from licensing permitted desirable and tolerable flexibility in refiners' operations. Because of the current supply/demand circumstances for petroleum products, it is considered desirable to control the export of these products.

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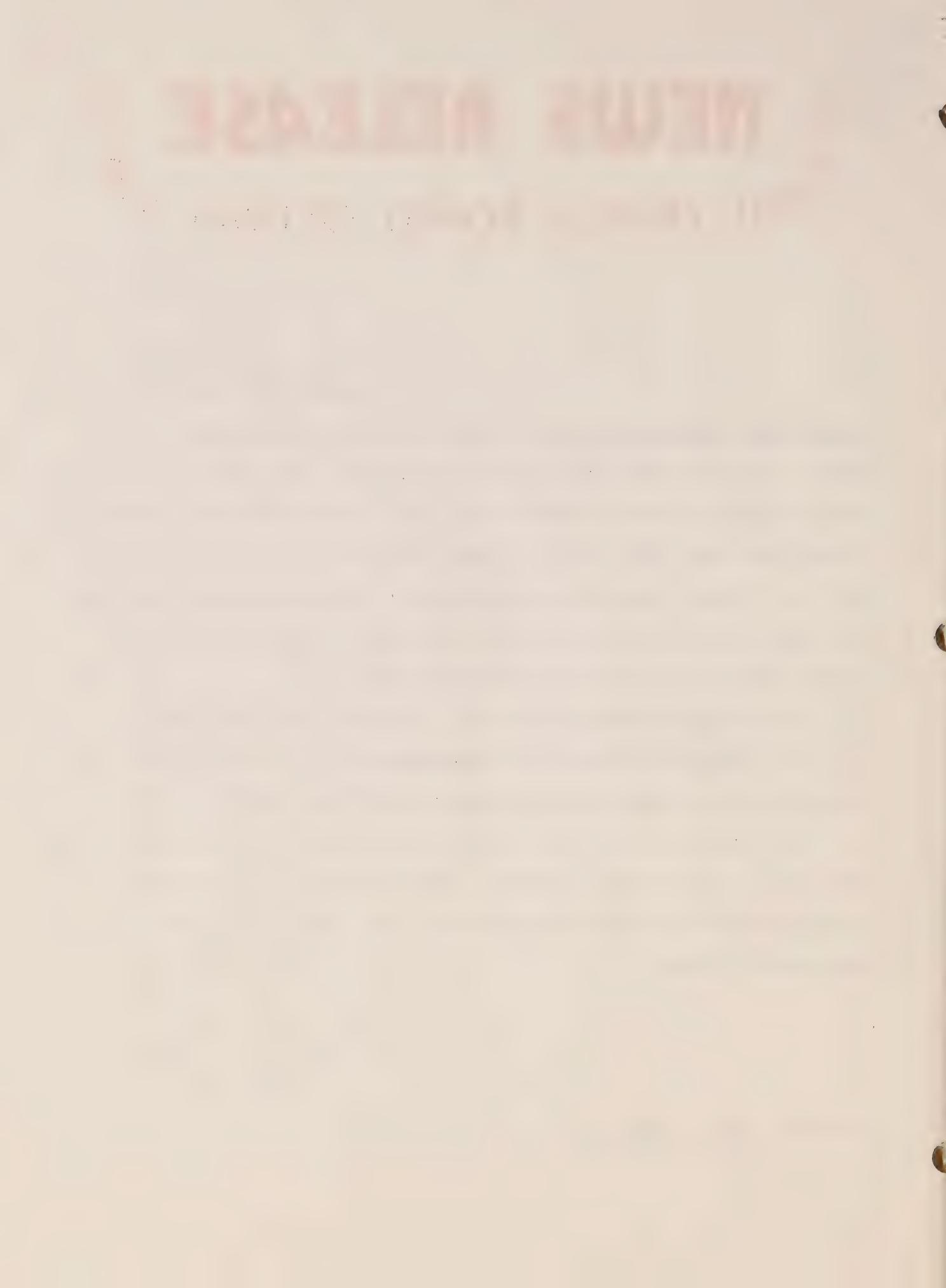
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NEB TO HEAR INTERPROVINCIAL PIPE REPLACEMENT APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hear, commencing on Tuesday, February 26, 1980 in the Ballroom (West), of the Holiday Inn, 107th Street, and 100th Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta at 9:30 A.M. local time, an application by Interprovincial Pipe Line Ltd. for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to replace 45.7 km of its pipeline in Alberta.

The proposed installation will complete the replacement of 60.9 km of the 864 mm OD pipeline by Interprovincial. During 1979, 15.2 km of pipe were installed under Board order no. XO-7-79.

The construction is to take place in the existing right-of-way, parallel to the present pipeline. The capacity and operation of Interprovincial's pipeline system will not change as a result of the replacement program.



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INTERPROVINCIAL FILES TOLLS AND TARIFFS APPLICATION WITH NEB

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has received an application from Interprovincial Pipe Line Limited for approval of tolls and tariffs for the transportation of crude oil and other liquid hydrocarbons.

Interprovincial operates a common carrier oil pipeline from Edmonton, Alberta to various points on the Canada-U.S. border in Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec.

It is expected that the Board will hold a public hearing on the application some time in the first half of 1980.

The Application is available for viewing in the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa and at the offices of Interprovincial Pipe Line Limited, 1 First Canadian Place, Toronto, Ontario.

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NEB TO HEAR ALBERTA NATURAL GAS TOLLS AND TARIFFS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, February 26, 1980, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, concerning Alberta Natural Gas Company Ltd's gas pipeline tolls and tariffs.

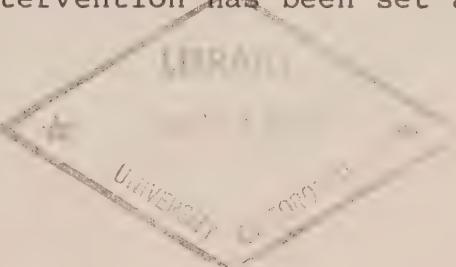
The company's submission was made in response to a Board letter of June 28, 1979 which stated that since the Foothills (Yukon) gas pipeline systems will be regulated by the Board and since charges from Alberta Natural Gas will form part of the Foothills (South B.C.) tariff, the Board believed that the cost of service of Alberta Natural should be formally regulated.

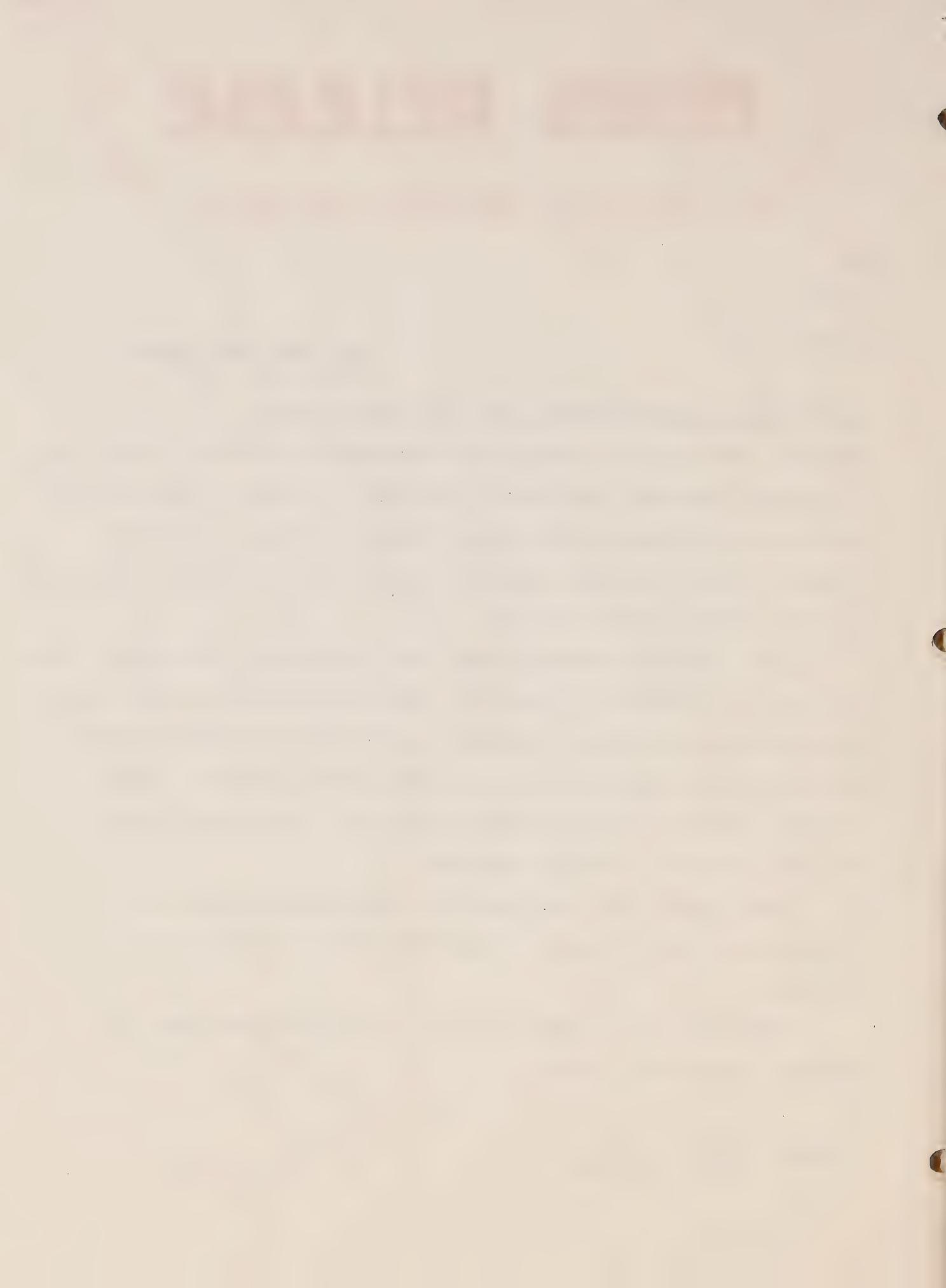
The company has also requested Board authorization for an increase in rate of return on rate base from 9.5 percent to 12 percent.

The deadline for the filing of intervention has been set at Monday, February 18, 1980.

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DATE CHANGED FOR ALBERTA NATURAL GAS HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today announced a change in the date for the Alberta Natural Gas Company Ltd.'s gas pipeline tolls and tariffs hearing.

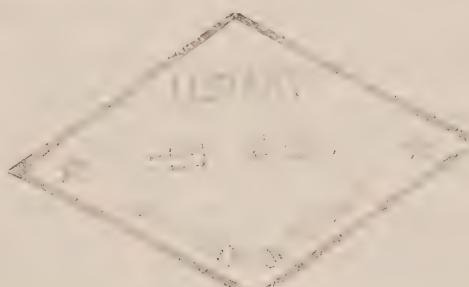
The hearing will now commence on Tuesday, March 11, 1980, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario at 9:30 a.m. local time.

The revised deadline for the filing of interventions is Monday, March 3, 1980.

These dates supersede those given in the release of January 22, 1980.

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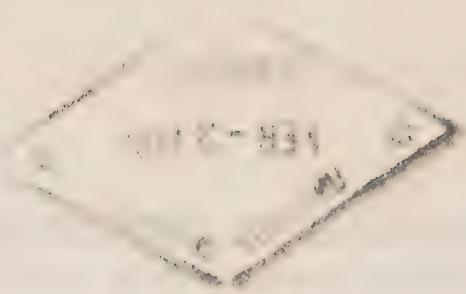
TRANSCANADA PIPELINE LIMITED FILES TWO APPLICATIONS WITH NEB

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it had received two applications from TransCanada PipeLines Limited for certificates to authorize the construction of additional natural gas pipeline facilities.

The first application, dated 23 December 1980, requests approval for approximately 408.6 km of 1 067 mm pipe from North Bay to the point of interconnection of TransCanada's mainline and TransCanada's "Ottawa Extension", near Morrisburg, Ontario. TransCanada states that these facilities, to be known as the "North Bay Shortcut", would deliver gas for the first time to the communities of Mattawa, Deep River, Chalk River, Stittsville and Kemptville. The provision of a new delivery point near Petawawa would permit the distributor to serve the new market of Portage-du-Fort, Quebec.

The second application, dated 30 December 1980, requests approval for the installation of eight new compressor units, the relocation of three existing mobile compressors, and the looping of eleven sections of existing pipeline in Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec with approximately 357.4 km of 1 219, 1 067, 914 and 508 mm O.D. pipe. TransCanada states that these "Additional Facilities", which would cost \$301.35 million, are required to meet sales and transportation requirements forecast for the 1981-82 contract year and to provide a normal level of excess capability. This excess capability would be available to serve unanticipated demands occasioned by emergency situations and to accommodate deliveries not yet contracted for or approved.

It is expected that the two applications will be heard together in the spring.



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FOOTHILLS RATES HEARING RE-SCHEDULED

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released an order today re-scheduling Phase IV(A) of the Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. tolls and tariffs hearing.

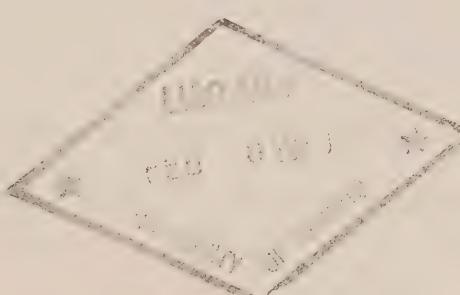
The order sets the hearing down for Tuesday, February 19, 1980, at 9:30 a.m. local time in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

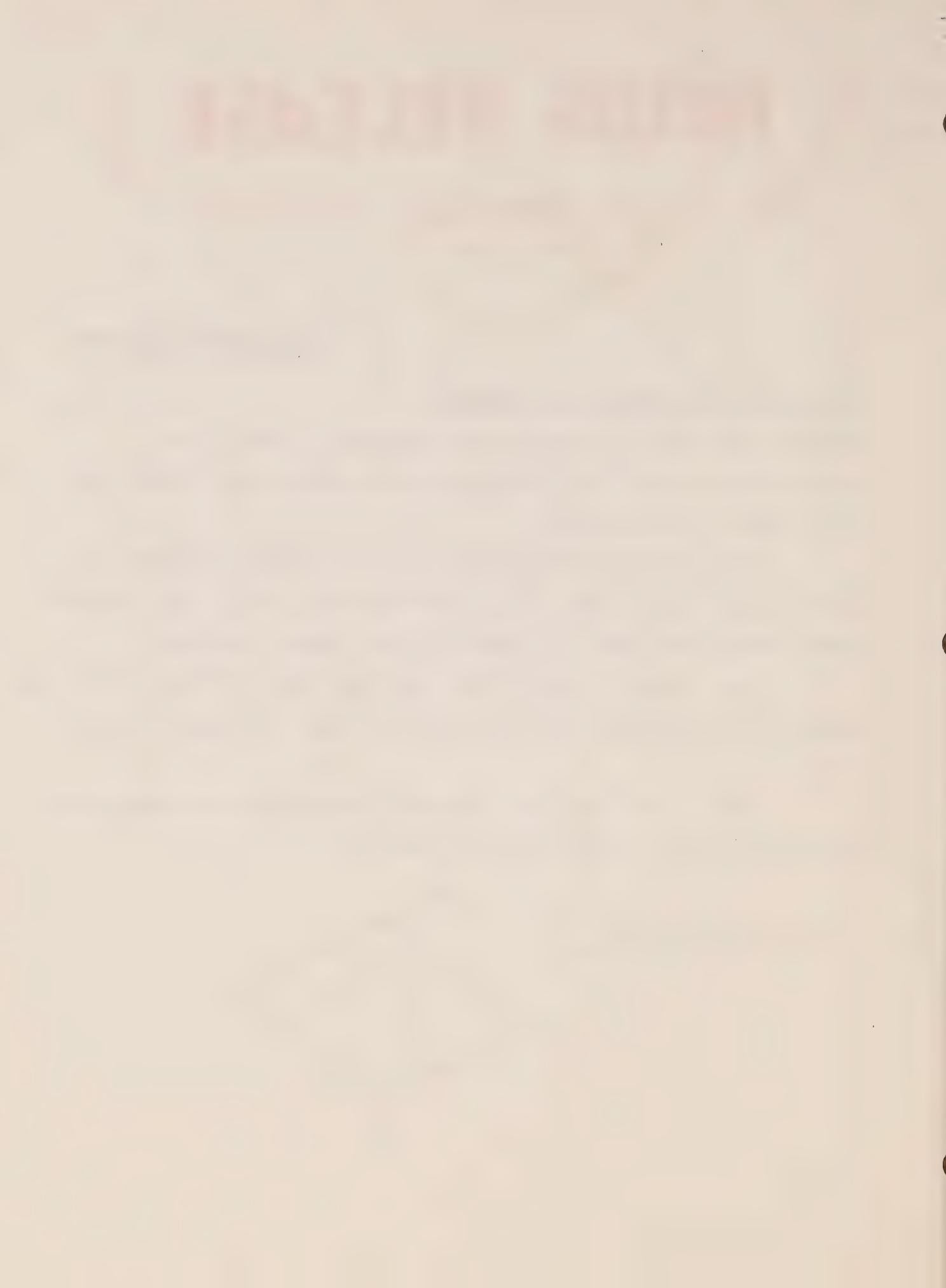
The change in date of the hearing, from 4 February 1980, was requested by Foothills who were unable to meet the original filing date.

Phase IV(A) will deal with the feasibility of financing the pre-built portions of the Northern Pipeline.

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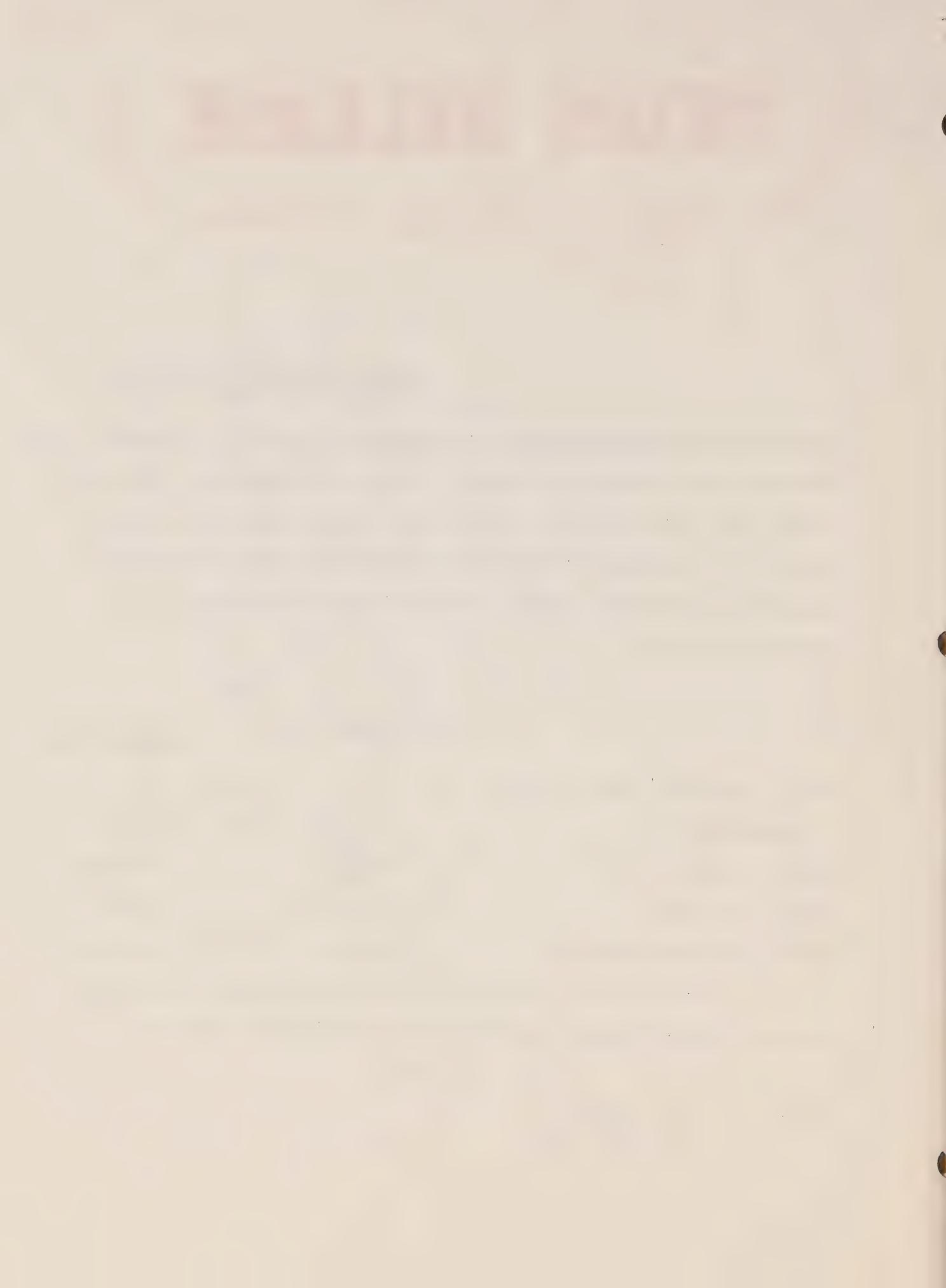
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	\$/m ³	Previous level	Level for February 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline Components	97.55	97.55	110.15
Middle Distillate	97.55	97.55	103.85
Heavy Fuel Oil	67.35	67.35	67.35
Partially Processed Oil	97.55	97.55	110.15

The Minister indicated that the changes in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets.

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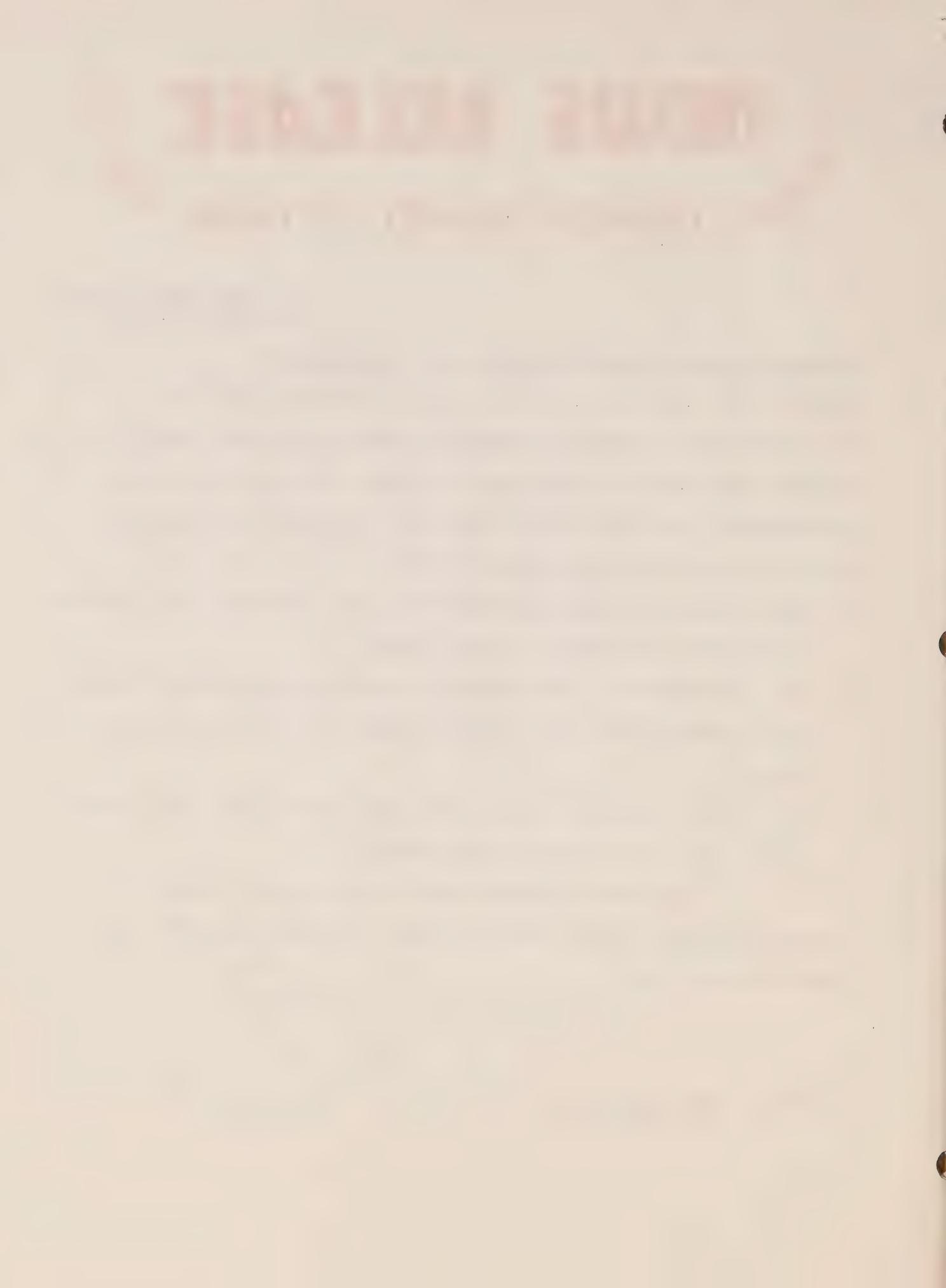
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Ray Hnatyshyn, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of February, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$138.55 a cubic metre to \$144.80 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, an increase from \$113.30 a cubic metre to \$132.20 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, an increase from \$116.10 per cubic metre to \$135.00 a cubic metre.

Mr. Hnatyshyn stated that the new export charges take account to recent crude price increases announced by OPEC and non-OPEC countries.

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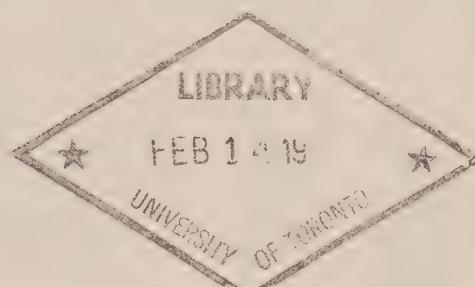
FEBRUARY NEB STATEMENT REGARDING SHORT-TERM OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIES

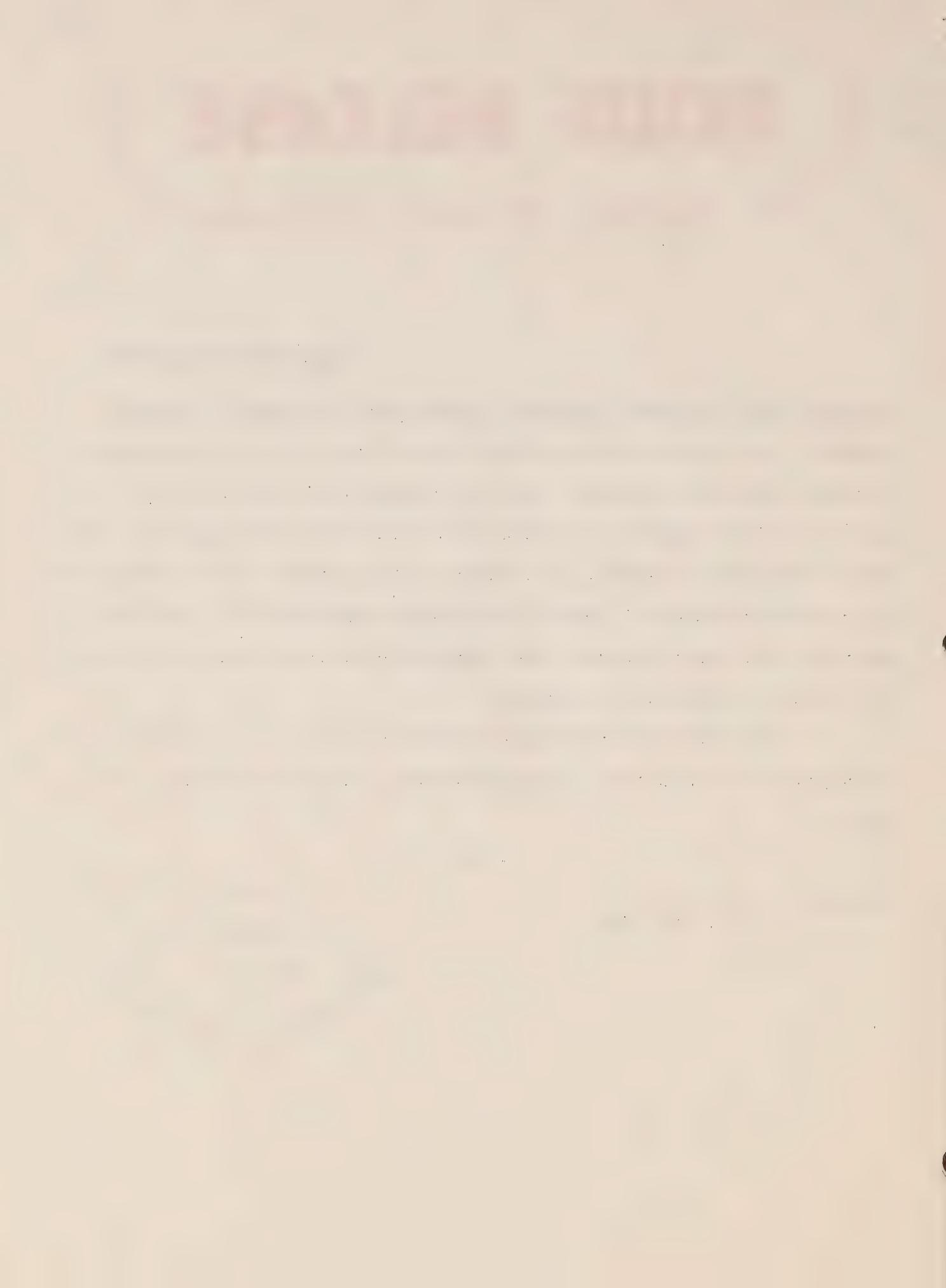
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board stated today that its assessment remains that sufficient oil for the remainder of the winter will be available from domestic and foreign origin crude oil supplies. The Board cautioned, however, that recent interruptions in the production of synthetic crude oil means that product supplies will continue to be tight and again stressed the importance of restraint by consumers in the use of available supplies.

The attached statements provide comparative historical data on supply in Canada over January-December periods of the last two years.

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HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 12 MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31

	ATLANTIC REGION			QUEBEC REGION			ONTARIO REGION		
	Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres		
	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff
<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>									
Domestic feedstock	-	-	-	15.85	18.36	2.51	15.8	14.68	15.94
Foreign feedstock - imports	-	0.60	-	0.54	(0.43)	(0.97)	1.27	3.62	8.6
- exchange receipts								2.35	0.98
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.54	(0.43)	(0.97)	16.39	18.53	1.54	13.1	(0.02)	(0.15)
Net new supply	16.39	18.53	2.14	30.45	29.50	(0.95)	(3.1)	31.52	35.09
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>									
Motor gasoline	4.19	4.47	0.28	6.7	9.41	9.23	(0.18)	(1.8)	11.72
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.44	6.39	0.95	17.4	9.10	8.81	(0.29)	(3.3)	7.66
Heavy fuel oil	4.82	5.77	0.95	19.8	5.85	5.29	(0.56)	(9.6)	4.86
Total main products	14.45	16.63	2.18	15.1	24.56	23.33	(1.03)	(4.2)	24.24
Jet fuel	0.66	0.54	(0.12)	(17.7)	1.19	1.27	6.9	6.9	26.81
Balance of output/oil in process	0.31	0.22	(0.09)	2.91	3.00	0.09	3.44	3.96	2.57
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.98	1.11	0.13	2.04	1.98	(0.06)	3.44	3.96	10.5
Total	16.40	18.50	2.10	12.8	30.50	29.58	(0.92)	(3.0)	31.86
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS (motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)</u>									
Refinery outputs	14.45	16.63	2.18	15.1	24.36	23.33	(1.03)	(4.2)	24.24
Imports	2.04	1.51	(0.53)	(25.9)	1.55	1.60	0.05	3.7	0.01
New supply	16.49	18.14	1.65	10.0	25.91	24.93	(0.98)	(3.8)	24.28
Exports	1.93	3.03	1.10	56.6	1.72	1.38	(0.34)	(19.9)	2.20
Net domestic supply	14.56	15.11	0.55	3.8	24.19	23.55	(0.64)	(2.6)	22.08
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>									
Motor gasoline	3.24	3.40	0.16	5.0	9.94	10.03	0.09	1.0	11.75
Middle distillates	4.35	4.23	(0.12)	(2.8)	9.98	9.25	(0.73)	(7.4)	8.20
Heavy fuel oil	5.05	5.64	0.59	11.6	5.48	5.66	0.18	3.2	3.65
Total	12.64	13.27	0.63	5.0	25.40	24.94	(0.46)	(1.8)	23.60
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF DECEMBER 31</u>									
Motor gasoline	0.41	0.47	0.06	16.4	0.76	0.82	0.06	7.6	0.98
Middle distillates	0.86	0.93	0.07	7.6	1.68	2.07	0.39	23.4	1.07
Heavy fuel oil	0.24	0.21	85.1	0.72	0.56	(0.16)	(22.0)	9.3	0.33
Total	1.51	1.85	0.34	22.4	3.16	3.45	0.29	3.1	20.6

HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 12 MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31

	PRAIRIES						BRITISH COLUMBIA						TOTAL CANADA					
	Millions of cubic metres			% Diff			Millions of cubic metres			% Diff			Millions of cubic metres			% Diff		
	1978	1979	Diff	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	Diff	1978	1979
<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>																		
Domestic feedstock																		
Foreign feedstock - imports	18.04	20.76	2.72	15.1			8.75	9.65	0.90	10.3			69.59	78.67	9.08	13.0		
- exchange receipts	0.20	0.13	(0.07)										30.37	28.42	(1.95)	(6.4)		
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.13	(0.21)	(0.34)				0.44	(0.21)	(0.65)				5.23	7.18	1.95			
Net new supply	18.37	20.68	2.31	12.6			9.19	9.44	0.25	2.7			0.88	(0.92)	(1.80)	7.28	6.9	
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>																		
Motor gasoline	8.71	9.39	0.68	7.8			3.71	3.96	0.25	6.8			37.74	39.70	1.96	5.2		
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.35	6.11	0.76	14.3			2.93	3.19	0.26	8.7			30.55	33.61	3.06	10.0		
Heavy fuel oil	0.94	0.96	0.02	1.7			0.86	1.03	0.17	20.7			17.35	18.19	0.84	4.8		
Total main products	15.00	16.46	1.46	9.7			7.50	8.18	0.68	9.1			85.64	91.50	5.86	6.8		
Jet fuel	0.96	1.16	0.20	21.5			0.53	0.14	24.7				4.47	4.94	0.47	10.5		
Balance of output/oil in process	1.86	2.35	0.49	0.30			0.28	(0.02)	8.76	9.75	0.99							
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.78	0.88	0.10	0.47			0.51	0.04	7.44	7.99	0.55							
Total	18.60	20.85	2.25	12.1			8.80	9.64	0.84	9.6			106.31	114.18	7.87	7.4		
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS</u>																		
(motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)																		
Refinery outputs	15.00	16.46	1.46	9.7			7.50	8.18	0.68	9.1			85.64	91.50	5.86	6.8		
Imports	0.03	0.02	(0.01)	(26.6)			0.26	0.32	0.06	21.4			1.97	2.20	0.23	11.7		
New supply	15.03	16.48	1.45	9.7			7.76	8.50	0.74	9.6			87.61	93.70	6.09	7.0		
Exports	0.53	0.52	(0.01)	(1.2)			0.05	0.09	0.04	67.6			6.44	6.94	0.50	7.8		
Net domestic supply	14.50	15.96	1.46	10.1			7.71	8.41	0.70	9.1			81.17	86.76	5.59	6.9		
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>																		
Motor gasoline	8.36	8.79	0.43	5.1			3.97	4.20	0.23	5.9			37.33	38.68	1.35	3.6		
Middle distillates	4.95	5.44	0.49	9.9			3.12	3.44	0.32	10.4			30.92	30.94	0.02	0.1		
Heavy fuel oil	0.38	0.32	(0.06)	(16.1)			1.11	1.35	0.24	21.5			15.70	16.02	0.32	2.0		
Total	13.69	14.55	0.86	6.3			8.20	8.99	0.79	9.7			83.95	85.64	1.69	2.0		
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF DECEMBER 31</u>																		
Motor gasoline	0.55	0.60	0.05	7.6			0.21	0.21	—	1.9			2.92	3.17	0.25	8.7		
Middle distillates	0.57	0.61	0.04	7.7			0.35	0.33	(0.02)	(8.3)			5.07	5.85	0.78	15.5		
Heavy fuel oil	0.07	0.07	—	4.4			0.07	0.10	0.03	40.2			1.63	1.72	0.09	5.3		
Total	1.19	1.28	0.09	7.5			0.63	0.64	0.01	0.6			9.62	10.74	1.12	11.7		

NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA,



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NEB RELEASES DECISION RE B.C. HYDRO CERTIFICATE EC-29

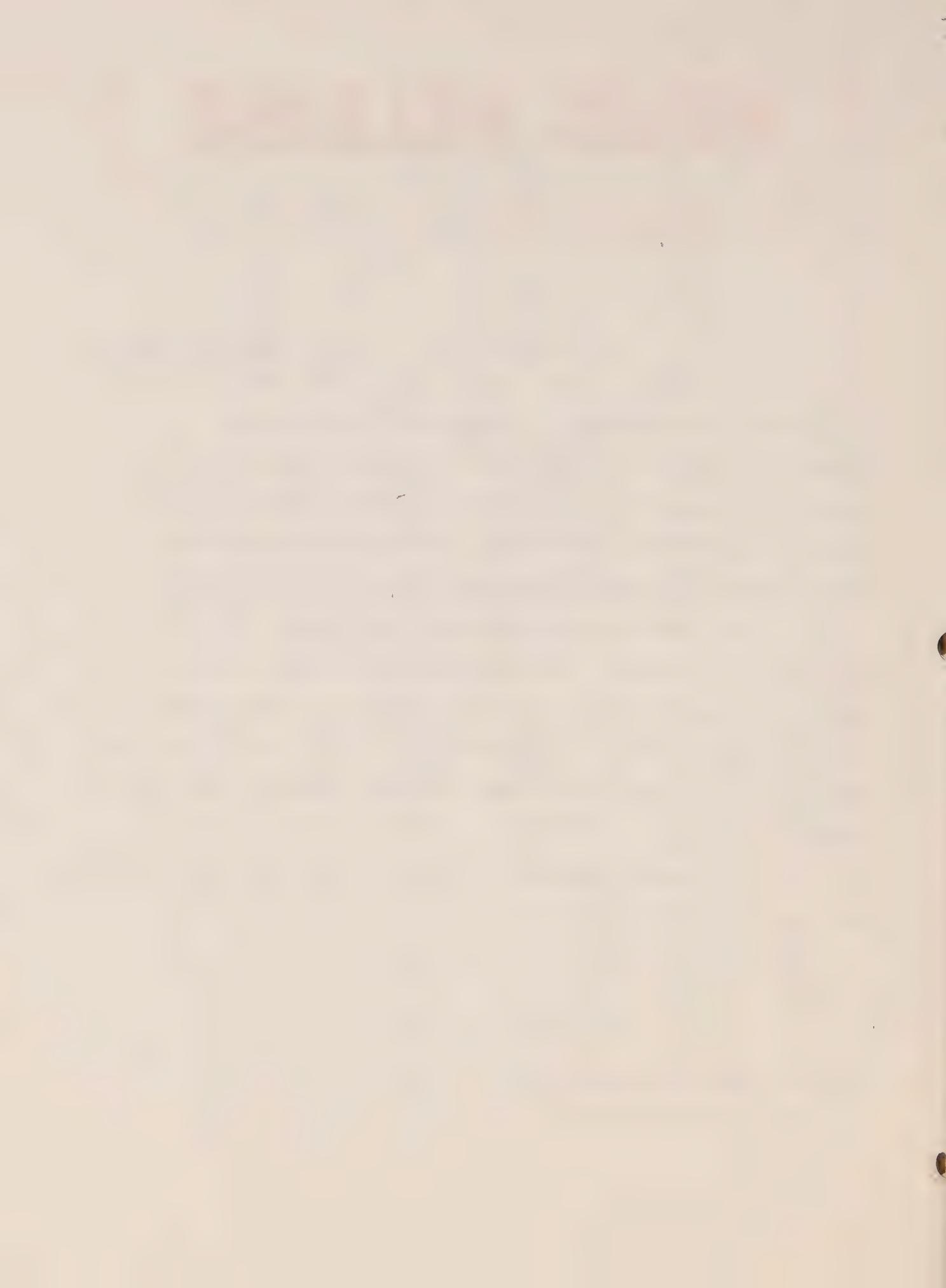
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an increase in the capacity of the Tsawwassen-Point Roberts international power line, authorized by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's Certificate No. EC-29.

The line runs south from the Tsawwassen substation of B.C. Hydro. It crosses the international boundary beside 56th Street, Tsawwassen, B.C. This power line is a distribution circuit which provides a border accommodation to a small portion of the service area of Puget Sound Power and Light Company in the United States.

The Board approved an increase in voltage to 25 000 volts from the certificated voltage of 12 000 volts.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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NEB APPROVES TRANSCANADA AND CHAMPION PIPE LINE CONSTRUCTION APPLICATIONS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity to TransCanada PipeLines Limited and the granting of an order to Champion Pipe Line Corporation for authority to construct and operate additional pipeline facilities to serve the towns of Thorne, Ontario and Temiscamingue, Quebec.

TransCanada had applied for a certificate to construct approximately 39.5 kilometers of 168.3 mm diameter gas transmission pipeline extending from upstream of the North Bay compressor Station 116, to a proposed meter station in the Township of Poitras, in the District of Nipissing, near Thorne, Ontario.

Champion was granted an order to construct approximately 1.8 km of 219.1 mm diameter gas pipeline from the proposed meter station to a point in the property of Tembec Forest Products Inc. in Temiscamingue, Quebec.

The Board is satisfied that the potential requirements will be sufficient to justify the construction of the pipeline and acknowledges the region's economic dependance on the Tembec plant, and the plant's dependance on a secure supply of energy to maintain its operations.



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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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February 18, 1980.

PAN-ALBERTA APPLIES FOR EXPORT LICENCES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received two applications from Pan-Alberta Gas Ltd. for licences to export natural gas to the United States.

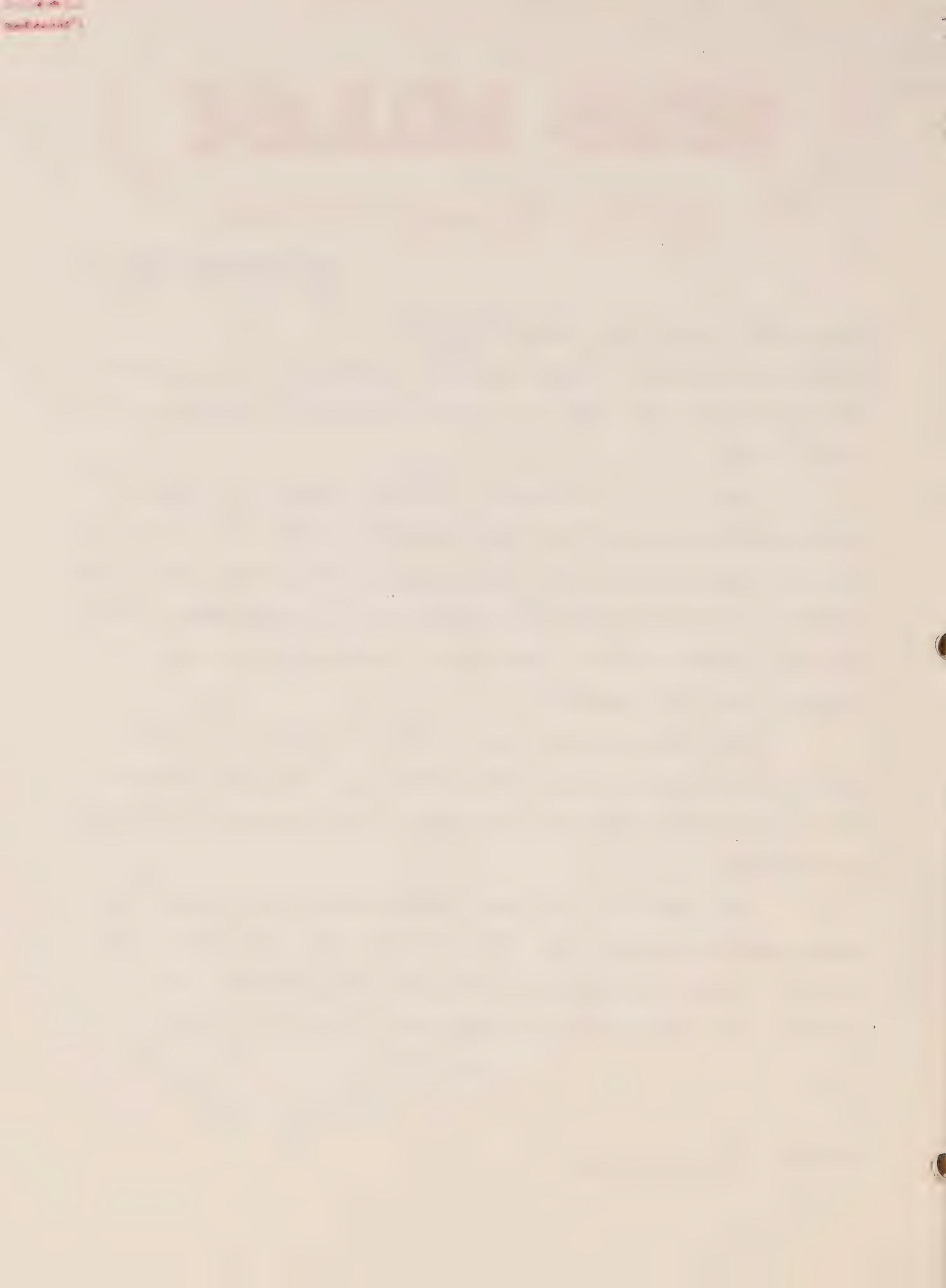
The first application is for the export of 6 220.8 million cubic metres of gas from November 1, 1983 until October 31, 1987, and certain additional volumes on a "conditional" basis from November 1, 1987 to October 31, 1992, all to the Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company of Utah. The export is to take place at Kingsgate, British Columbia.

The second application is for the export of 7 914.8 million cubic metres of gas from November 1, 1984 until October 31, 1987, to Northwest Alaskan. This export is to take place at Monchy, Saskatchewan.

The Board has set these applications down for hearing in Ottawa commencing March 18, 1980, at 9:30 a.m. local time in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, 473 Albert Street. The deadline for interventions has been set at March 7, 1980.

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TRANSCANADA APPLIES FOR NEW FACILITIES CERTIFICATE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received an application from TransCanada PipeLines Limited for a certificate to construct additional natural gas pipeline facilities. The company states that these facilities are required to provide the capacity needed to transport the new exports of natural gas authorized by the Board to commence on 1 November 1980.

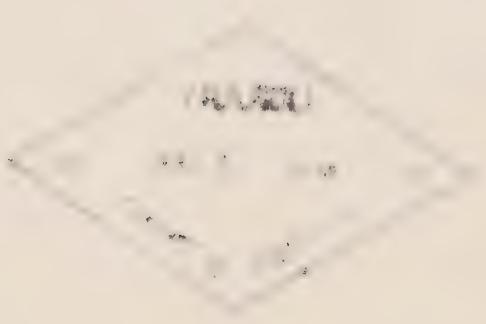
TransCanada proposes to install 15 new compressor units and 15 loop sections of its existing pipeline in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario with approximately 475.2 km of 1 219 and 1 067 mm O.D. pipe.

It is expected that the application will be set down for hearing within a month.

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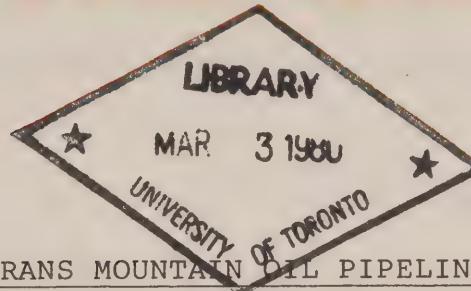


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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



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February 20, 1980

NEB RELEASES TRANS MOUNTAIN OIL PIPELINE DECISION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Decision on the Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company Ltd. application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to authorize the construction of an oil pipeline from Sumas, B.C. to Edmonton, Alberta.

Although Trans Mountain filed all the information required by the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure in an application to construct pipeline facilities in Canada, it became apparent at the hearing in Vancouver that the operation of an American crude oil port and its associated tanker traffic, both integral parts of the Trans Mountain proposal, could have a significant impact on the marine and coastal environment of Canada. Adequate evidence on this impact was not available at the hearing; such information relating to facilities outside Canada is not called for by the NEB Rules of Practice.

Had it not been for the existence of this rather unique environmental consideration, the Board, on the basis of all the other evidence, would have been prepared, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, to issue a certificate for the construction of the Trans Mountain pipeline. The possible marine and coastal impact, however, is an important consideration that must be taken into account.

Accordingly Trans Mountain, if it wishes to proceed further with its application, will now have the opportunity to prepare evidence on the marine impact for examination at a continuation of the public hearing, which would be called specifically for that purpose.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - MARCH, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of March, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

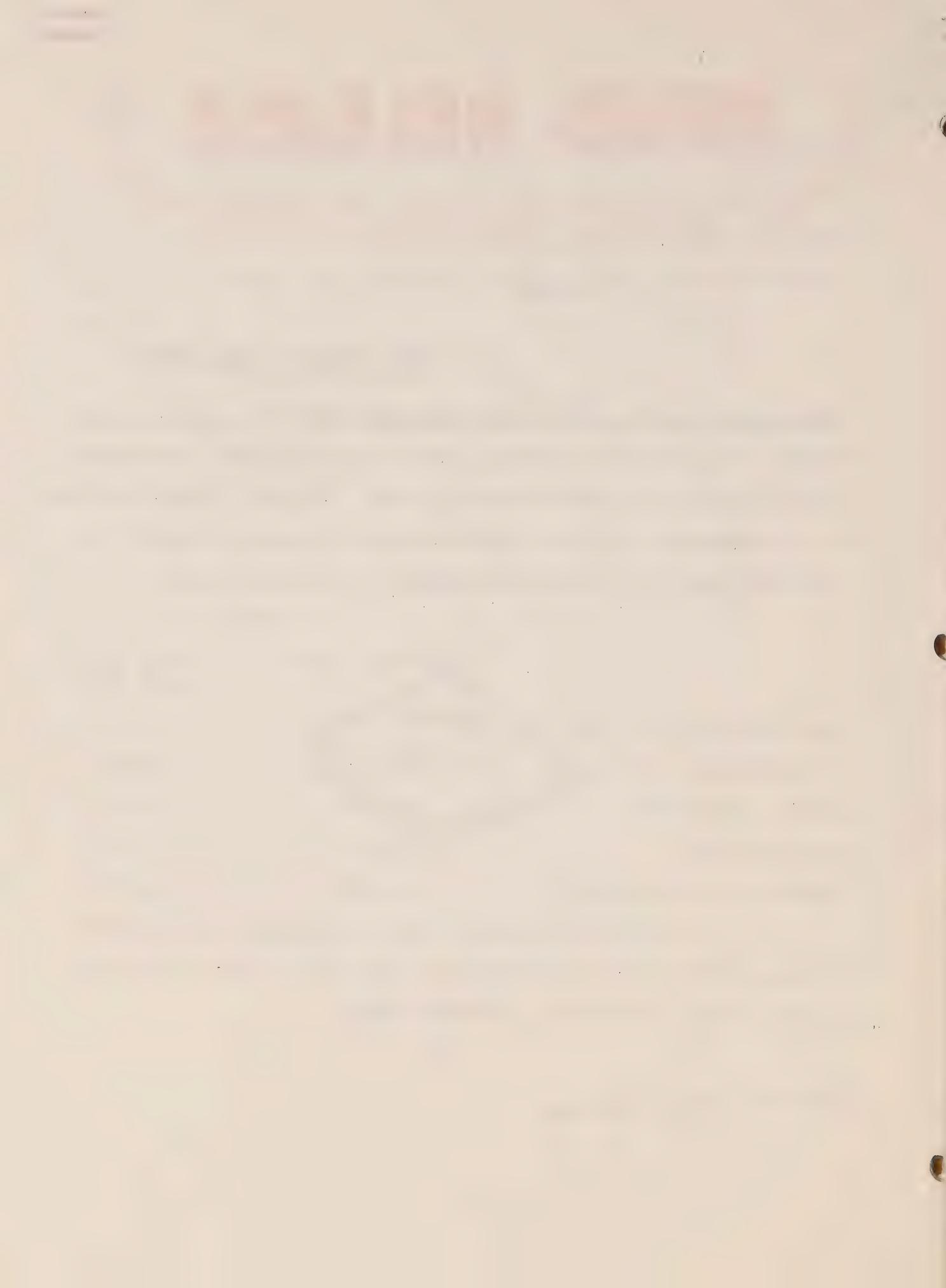
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	Previous level	Level for March 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline Components	LIBRARY FEB 28 1980 UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO 103.85	114.85
Middle Distillate	67.35	103.85
Heavy Fuel Oil		70.50
Partially Processed Oil	110.15	114.85

The Minister indicated that the changes in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets as well as the higher value of the Canadian dollar.

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MARCH EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

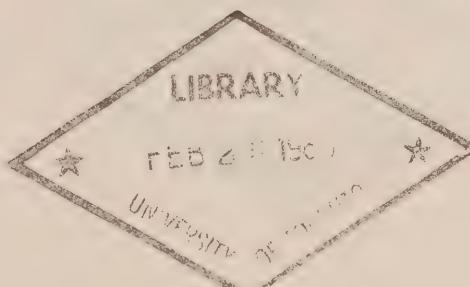
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today his proposal that the charges applicable for the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of March, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

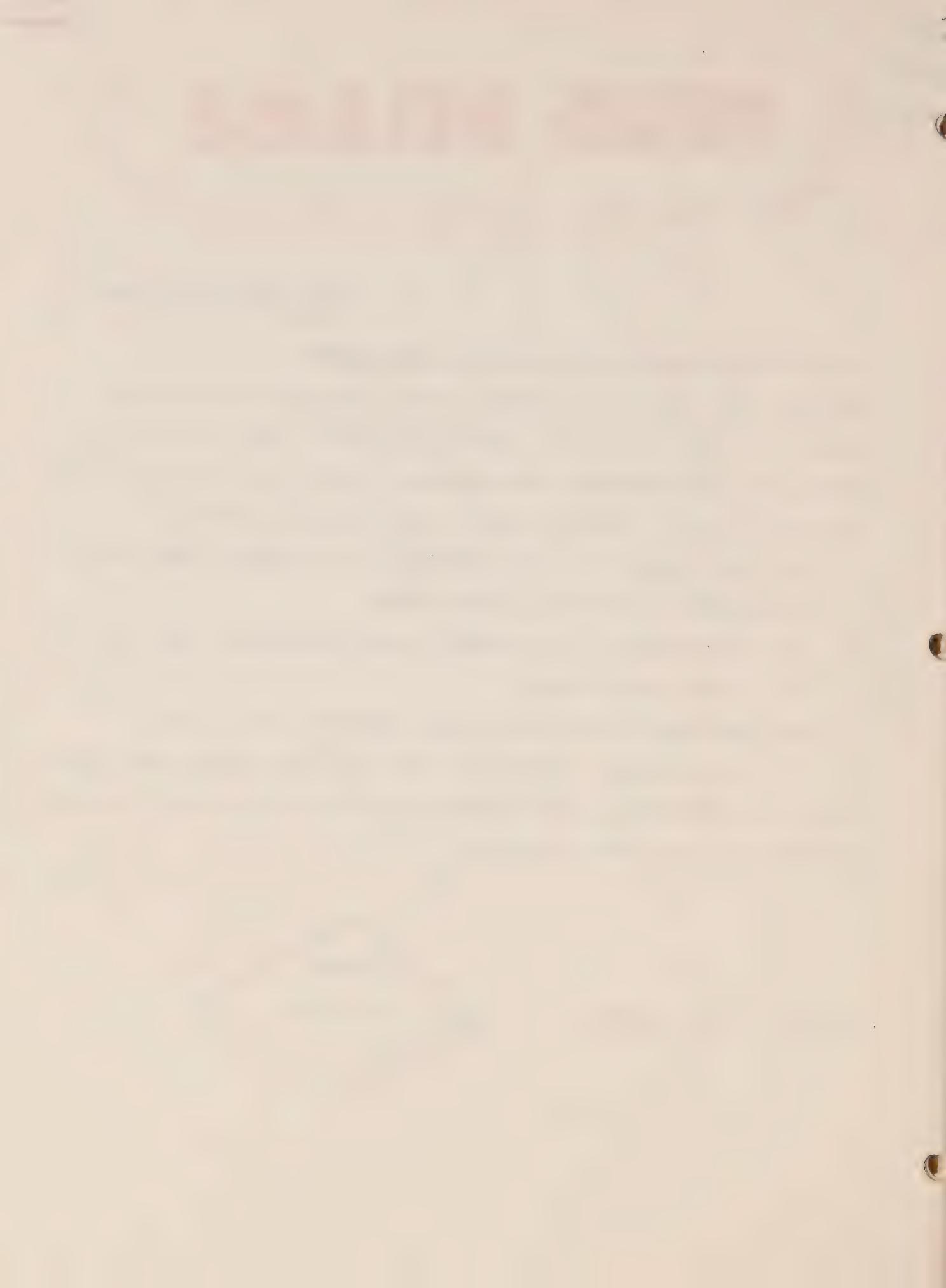
1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$144.80 a cubic metre to \$157.30 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, \$132.20 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, \$135.00 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the new export charge for light crude and condensate takes account of recent crude price increases announced by most OPEC countries.

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NEB APPROVES TCPL EMERGENCY NATURAL GAS IMPORT

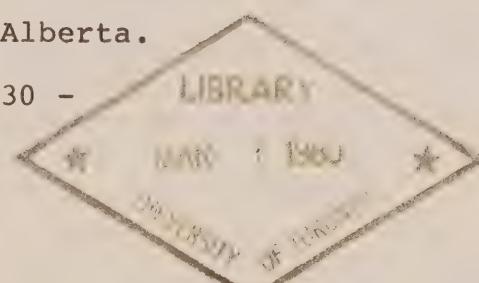
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for an emergency import order for up to 173 million cubic feet of gas per day from the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company.

The import will take place near Niagara Falls, Ontario effective February 27, 1980 to March 3, 1980. TransCanada has undertaken to redeliver to Tennessee all volumes of the borrowed gas as soon as possible.

The application for the emergency order was necessitated by a fire and explosion at the Princess Compressor Station of the Alberta Gas Trunk Line Company, which temporarily reduced the volume of gas TransCanada receives from Alberta.

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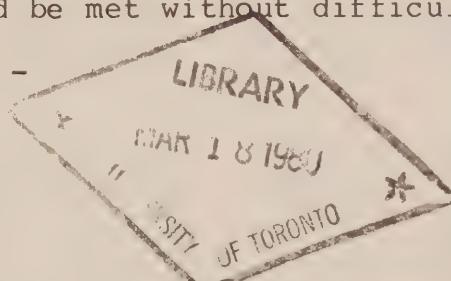
MARCH - NEB STATEMENT REGARDING SHORT-TERM OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today provided details of oil industry operations for the twelve months ending on January 31 1980. (See attached Appendices).

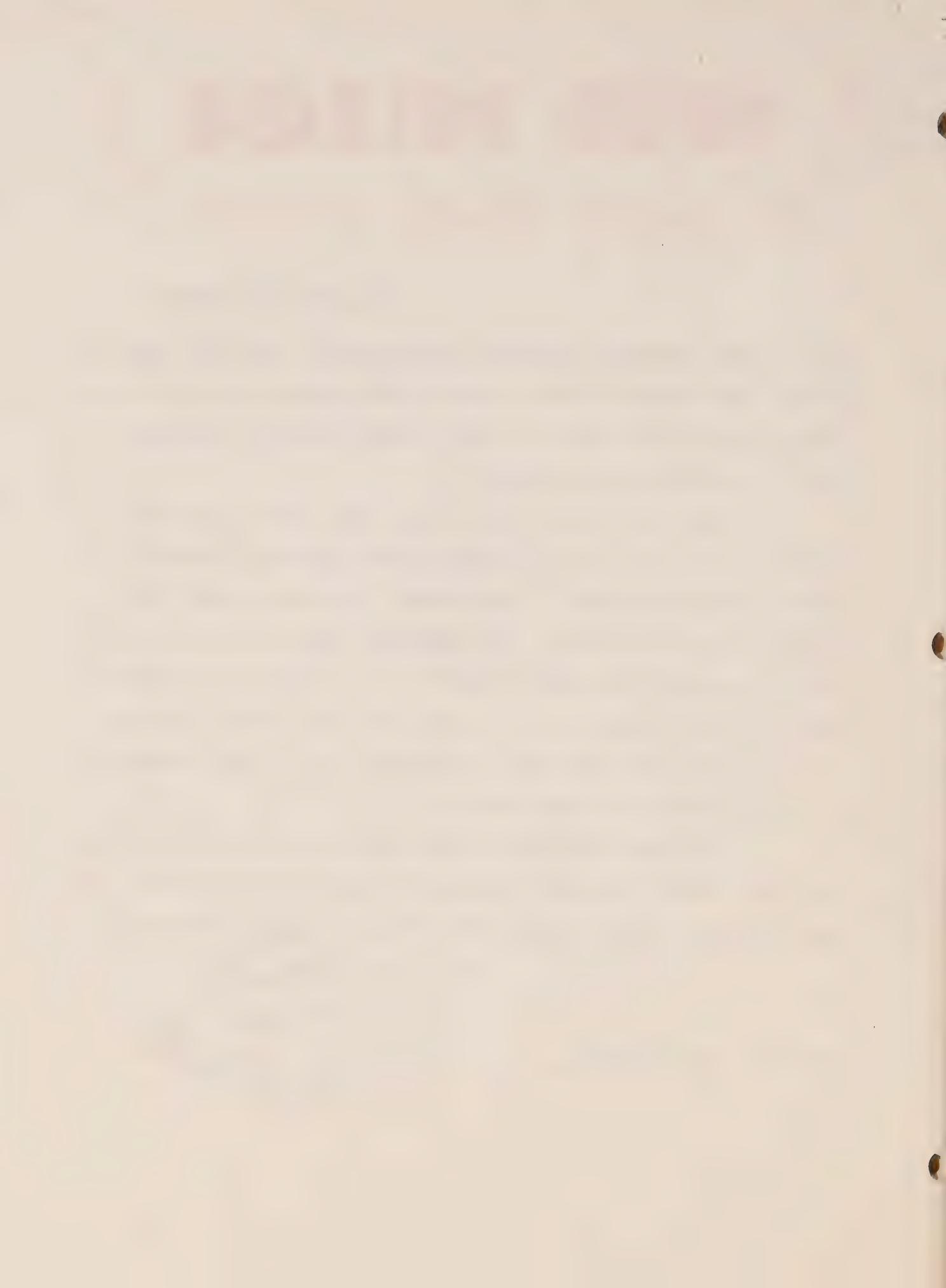
The Board stated that stock levels of oil products continued to be satisfactory and adequate to meet foreseeable demand through the rest of the winter. The Board noted that during the period refiners and importers had been called on to supply 3 percent more motor gasoline than in the corresponding twelve months a year earlier. There have been slight signs of declining demand in the past few months, but no firm evidence of a falling trend is so far available.

The Board anticipated that any extra demands for heavy fuel oil arising from the temporary interruption of natural gas supplies from western Canada could be met without difficulty.

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	Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres		
	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff
<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>									
Domestic feedstock									
Foreign feedstock - imports	16.17	17.99	-	1.82	11.3	-	14.80	16.03	1.23
- exchange receipts	-	0.60	0.60	-	-	-	14.04	9.72	(4.32)(30.8)
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.51	(0.05)	(0.56)	-	-	-	1.44	3.72	2.28
Net new supply	16.68	18.54	1.86	11.2	-	-	0.22	(0.10)	(0.32)
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>									
Motor gasoline	4.26	4.46	0.20	4.6	9.45	9.19	(0.26)	(2.8)	11.79
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.58	6.36	0.78	14.0	9.01	8.87	(0.14)	(1.6)	7.76
Heavy fuel oil	4.90	5.70	0.80	16.4	5.74	5.33	(0.41)	(7.1)	4.86
Total main products	14.74	16.52	1.78	12.1	24.20	23.39	(0.81)	(3.3)	24.41
Jet fuel	0.66	0.53	(0.13)	(19.9)	1.21	1.29	0.08	6.4	1.12
Balance of output/oil in process	0.36	0.23	(0.13)	(36.1)	2.90	2.89	(0.01)	(0.3)	3.91
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.88	1.10	0.22	25.3	2.07	2.01	(0.06)	(2.8)	2.67
Total	16.64	18.38	1.74	10.4	30.38	29.58	(0.80)	2.6	32.11
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS (motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)</u>									
Refinery outputs	14.74	16.52	1.78	12.1	24.20	23.39	(0.81)	(3.3)	24.41
Imports	0.11	0.32	0.21	-	1.52	1.60	0.08	5.7	0.03
New supply	14.85	16.84	1.99	13.4	25.72	24.99	(0.73)	(2.8)	24.44
Exports	2.28	2.85	0.57	25.2	1.76	1.35	(0.41)	(23.3)	2.12
Net Domestic Supply	12.57	13.99	1.42	11.3	23.96	23.64	(0.32)	(1.3)	22.32
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>									
Motor gasoline	3.24	3.39	0.15	4.7	9.98	9.98	-	0.1	11.81
Middle distillates	5.58	6.37	0.79	14.0	9.86	9.00	(0.86)	8.7	8.23
Heavy fuel oil	4.90	5.70	0.80	16.4	5.41	5.70	0.29	5.4	3.50
Total	13.72	15.46	1.74	12.7	25.25	24.68	(0.57)	2.3	23.54
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF JANUARY 31, 1980</u>									
Motor gasoline	0.45	0.52	0.07	14.6	0.82	0.89	0.07	9.3	1.12
Middle distillates	0.69	0.83	0.14	19.9	1.03	1.78	0.75	72.7	1.29
Heavy fuel oil	0.26	0.52	0.26	95.8	0.60	0.56	(0.04)	7.2	0.56
Total	1.40	1.87	0.47	32.4	2.45	3.23	0.78	31.8	2.97

HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 31, 1980

	PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA			TOTAL CANADA		
	Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres		
	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff
<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>									
Domestic feedstock	18.18	20.80	2.62	14.4	8.82	9.70	0.88	10.0	70.21
-Foreign feedstock - imports	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	78.85
- exchange receipts	0.21	0.14	(0.07)(33.5)	—	—	—	—	—	8.64
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.08	(0.08)	(0.16)	—	(0.01)	0.01	0.02	—	12.3
Net new supply	18.47	20.86	2.39	12.9	8.81	9.71	0.90	10.2	30.21
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>									
Motor gasoline	8.74	9.42	0.68	7.8	3.72	4.01	0.29	7.8	37.97
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.39	6.19	0.80	14.8	2.91	3.24	0.33	11.4	33.78
Heavy fuel oil	0.95	0.97	0.02	1.9	0.86	1.02	0.16	18.5	3.07
Total main products	15.08	16.58	1.50	9.9	7.49	8.27	0.78	10.4	17.32
Jet fuel	0.97	1.17	0.20	21.3	0.54	0.67	0.13	23.9	4.99
Balance of output/oil in process	2.28	2.35	0.07	3.1	0.47	0.28	(0.19)(40.4)	9.98	0.48
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.35	0.92	0.57	—	0.33	0.50	0.17	51.5	10.6
Total	18.68	21.02	2.34	12.5	8.83	9.72	0.89	10.1	6.30
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS</u>									
(motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)	15.08	16.58	1.50	9.9	7.49	8.27	0.78	10.4	86.00
Refinery outputs	0.03	0.02	(0.01)	(29.6)	0.27	0.38	0.11	42.6	91.68
Imports	15.11	16.60	1.49	9.9	7.76	8.65	0.89	11.5	87.96
New supply	0.54	0.52	(0.02)	(3.7)	0.06	0.08	0.02	36.7	94.01
Exports	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.76
Net domestic supply	14.57	16.08	1.51	10.4	7.70	8.57	0.87	11.3	6.72
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>									
Motor gasoline	8.45	8.74	0.29	3.4	4.00	4.21	0.21	5.4	37.54
Middle distillates	5.01	5.44	0.43	8.6	3.11	3.54	0.43	14.0	38.65
Heavy fuel oil	0.38	0.32	(0.06)	(16.2)	1.16	1.34	0.18	15.4	1.11
Total	13.84	14.50	0.66	4.8	8.27	9.09	0.82	9.9	30.74
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF JANUARY 31, 1980</u>									
Motor gasoline	0.61	0.74	0.13	20.6	0.24	0.29	0.05	22.1	3.24
Middle distillates	0.53	0.66	0.13	22.8	0.32	0.28	(0.04)(13.5)	3.89	3.56
Heavy fuel oil	0.06	0.06	—	4.9	0.06	0.09	0.03	69.1	0.32
Total	1.20	1.46	0.26	21.7	0.62	0.66	0.04	6.5	7.50

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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March 4, 1980.

NEB SETS DOWN TRANSCANADA FACILITIES APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Wednesday, April 9, 1980, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning TransCanada PipeLines Limited's application for new pipeline facilities.

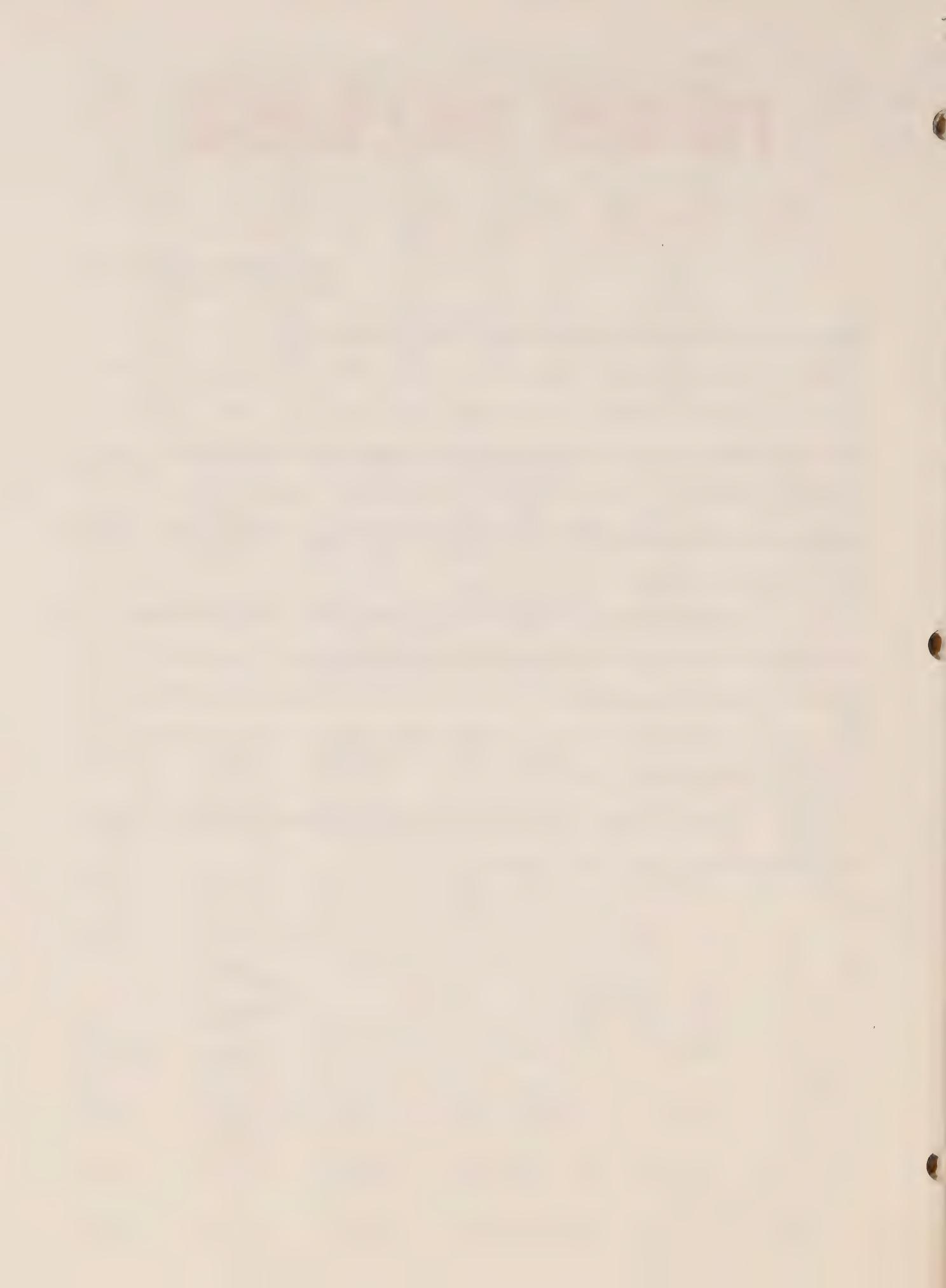
The company has applied to partially loop existing sections of its pipeline system in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario with approximately 475.2 km of 1 219 mm and 1 067 mm O.D. pipeline, to install 13 new compressor units, and to relocate two existing compressor units.

The deadline for the filing of interventions has been set at Friday, March 28, 1980.

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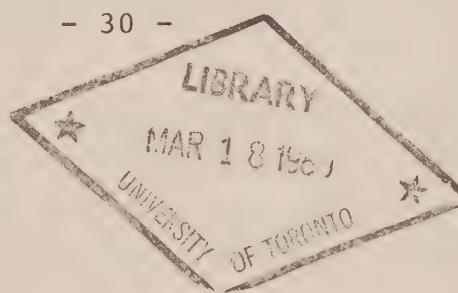
MARCH - NEB STATEMENT REGARDING SHORT-TERM OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today provided details of oil industry operations for the twelve months ending on January 31 1980. (See attached Appendices).

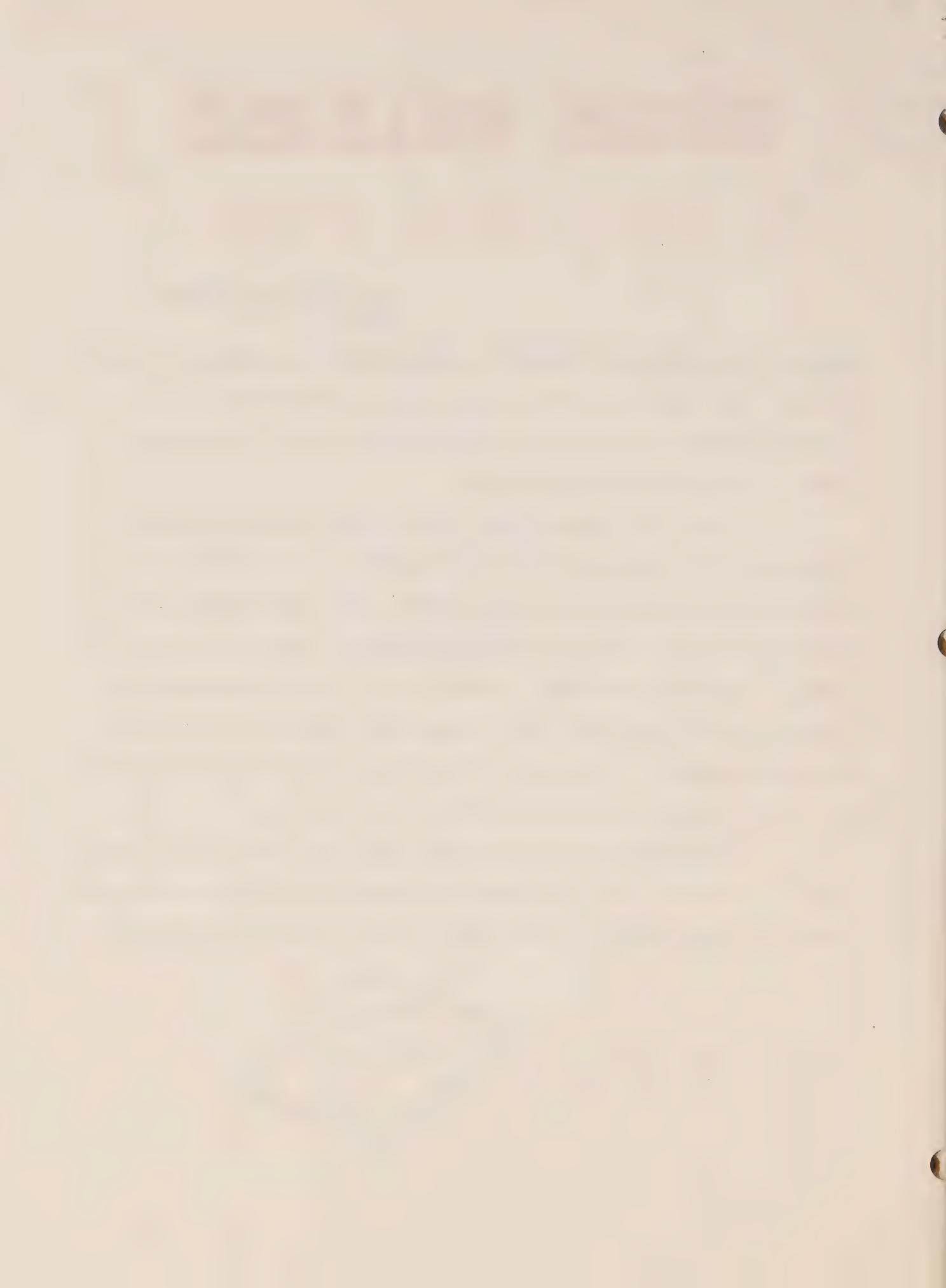
The Board stated that stock levels of oil products continued to be satisfactory and adequate to meet foreseeable demand through the rest of the winter. The Board noted that during the period refiners and importers had been called on to supply 3 percent more motor gasoline than in the corresponding twelve months a year earlier. There have been slight signs of declining demand in the past few months, but no firm evidence of a falling trend is so far available.

The Board anticipated that any extra demands for heavy fuel oil arising from the temporary interruption of natural gas supplies from western Canada could be met without difficulty.

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HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 31, 1980

ATLANTIC REGION				QUEBEC REGION				ONTARIO REGION			
	Millions of cubic metres				Millions of cubic metres				Millions of cubic metres		
	1978	1979	Diff		1978	1979	Diff		1978	1979	Diff
<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>											
Domestic feedstock					16.17	17.99	1.82	11.3	14.80	16.03	1.23
Foreign feedstock - imports					-	0.60	0.60	-	14.04	9.72	(4.32)(30.8)
- exchange receipts					-				1.44	3.72	2.28
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.51	(0.05)	(0.56)		0.22	(0.10)	(0.32)	-	3.65	3.03	(0.62)(16.8)
Net new supply	16.68	18.54	1.86	11.2	30.50	29.37	(1.13)	(3.7)	(0.10)	(0.05)	0.05 51.2
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>											
Motor gasoline	4.26	4.46	0.20	4.6	9.45	9.19	(0.26)	(2.8)	11.79	12.65	0.86
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.58	6.36	0.78	14.0	9.01	8.87	(0.14)	(1.6)	7.76	9.08	1.32
Heavy fuel oil	4.90	5.70	0.80	16.4	5.74	5.33	(0.41)	(7.1)	4.86	5.12	0.26
Total main products	14.74	16.52	1.78	12.1	24.20	23.39	(0.81)	(3.3)	24.41	26.85	2.44
Jet fuel	0.66	0.53	(0.13)(19.9)	1.21	1.29	0.08	6.4	1.12	1.32	0.20	17.6
Balance of output/oil in process	0.36	0.23	(0.13)(36.1)	2.90	2.89	(0.01)	(0.3)	3.91	4.07	0.16	4.1
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.88	1.10	0.22	25.3	2.07	2.01	(0.06)	(2.8)	2.67	3.35	0.68
Total	16.64	18.38	1.74	10.4	30.38	29.58	(0.80)	2.6	32.11	35.59	3.48
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS</u> (motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)											
Refinery outputs	14.74	16.52	1.78	12.1	24.20	23.39	(0.81)	(3.3)	24.41	26.85	2.44
Imports	0.11	0.32	0.21	-	1.52	1.60	0.08	5.7	0.03	(0.03)	-
New supply	14.85	16.84	1.99	13.4	25.72	24.99	(0.73)	(2.8)	24.44	26.85	2.44
Exports	2.28	2.85	0.57	25.2	1.76	1.35	(0.41)(23.3)	(1.3)	2.12	1.92	(0.20)
Net Domestic Supply	12.57	13.99	1.42	11.3	23.96	23.64	(0.32)	(2.8)	22.32	24.93	(9.6)
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>											
Motor gasoline	3.24	3.39	0.15	4.7	9.98	9.98	-	0.1	11.81	12.26	0.45
Middle distillates	5.58	6.37	0.79	14.0	9.86	9.00	(0.86)	8.7	8.23	8.17	(0.06)(0.8)
Heavy fuel oil	4.90	5.70	0.80	16.4	5.41	5.70	0.29	5.4	3.50	3.01	(0.49)(14.1)
Total	13.72	15.46	1.74	12.7	25.25	24.68	(0.57)	2.3	23.54	23.44	(0.10)(0.4)
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF JANUARY 31, 1980</u>											
Motor gasoline	0.45	0.52	0.07	14.6	0.82	0.89	0.07	9.3	1.12	1.12	- 0.4
Middle distillates	0.69	0.83	0.14	19.9	1.03	1.78	0.75	72.7	1.29	1.76	0.47 36.7
Heavy fuel oil	0.26	0.52	0.26	95.8	0.60	0.56	(0.04)	7.2	0.56	0.58	0.02 3.4
Total	1.40	1.87	0.47	32.4	3.23	3.78	2.97	31.8	2.97	3.46	0.49 16.5

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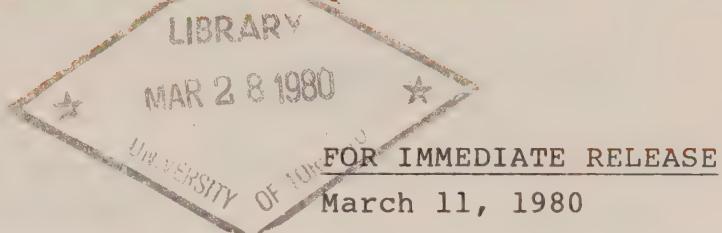
	PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA			TOTAL CANADA		
	Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres		
	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff	1978	1979	Diff
REFINERY RECEIPTS									
Domestic feedstock	18.18	20.80	2.62	14.4	8.82	9.70	0.88	10.0	70.21
Foreign feedstock - imports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	78.85
- exchange receipts	0.21	0.14	(0.07)(33.5)	-	-	-	-	-	8.64
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.08	(0.08)	(0.16)	12.9	(0.01)	0.01	0.02	-	12.3
Net new supply	18.47	20.86	2.39	12.9	8.81	9.71	0.90	10.2	30.21
REFINERY PRODUCTION									
Motor gasoline	8.74	9.42	0.68	7.8	3.72	4.01	0.29	7.8	37.97
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.39	6.19	0.80	14.8	2.91	3.24	0.33	11.4	33.78
Heavy fuel oil	0.95	0.97	0.02	1.9	0.86	1.02	0.16	18.5	3.07
Total main products	15.08	16.58	1.50	9.9	7.49	8.27	0.78	10.4	17.32
Jet fuel	0.97	1.17	0.20	21.3	0.54	0.67	0.13	23.9	18.15
Balance of output/oil in process	2.28	2.35	0.07	3.1	0.47	0.28	(0.19)(40.4)	9.98	5.31
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.35	0.92	0.57	-	0.33	0.50	0.17	51.5	7.50
Total	18.68	21.02	2.34	12.5	8.83	9.72	0.89	10.1	106.42
NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS (motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)									
Refinery outputs	15.08	16.58	1.50	9.9	7.49	8.27	0.78	10.4	86.00
Imports	0.03	0.02	(0.01)	(29.6)	0.27	0.38	0.11	42.6	91.68
New supply	15.11	16.60	1.49	9.9	7.76	8.65	0.89	11.5	94.01
Exports	0.54	0.52	(0.02)	(3.7)	0.06	0.08	0.02	36.7	6.76
Net domestic supply	14.57	16.08	1.51	10.4	7.70	8.57	0.87	11.3	81.20
DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS									
Motor gasoline	8.45	8.74	0.29	3.4	4.00	4.21	0.21	5.4	37.54
Middle distillates	5.01	5.44	0.43	8.6	3.11	3.54	0.43	14.0	38.65
Heavy fuel oil	0.38	0.32	(0.06)	(16.2)	1.16	1.34	0.18	15.4	(0.12)
Total	13.84	14.50	0.66	4.8	8.27	9.09	0.82	9.9	15.65
MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF JANUARY 31, 1980									
Motor gasoline	0.61	0.74	0.13	20.6	0.24	0.29	0.05	22.1	3.24
Middle distillates	0.53	0.66	0.13	22.8	0.32	0.28	(0.04)(13.5)	3.89	3.56
Heavy fuel oil	0.06	0.06	-	4.9	0.06	0.09	0.03	69.1	1.43
Total	1.20	1.46	0.26	21.7	0.62	0.66	0.04	7.67	36.8

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CONSOLIDATED APPLIES FOR GAS LICENCE AMENDMENT

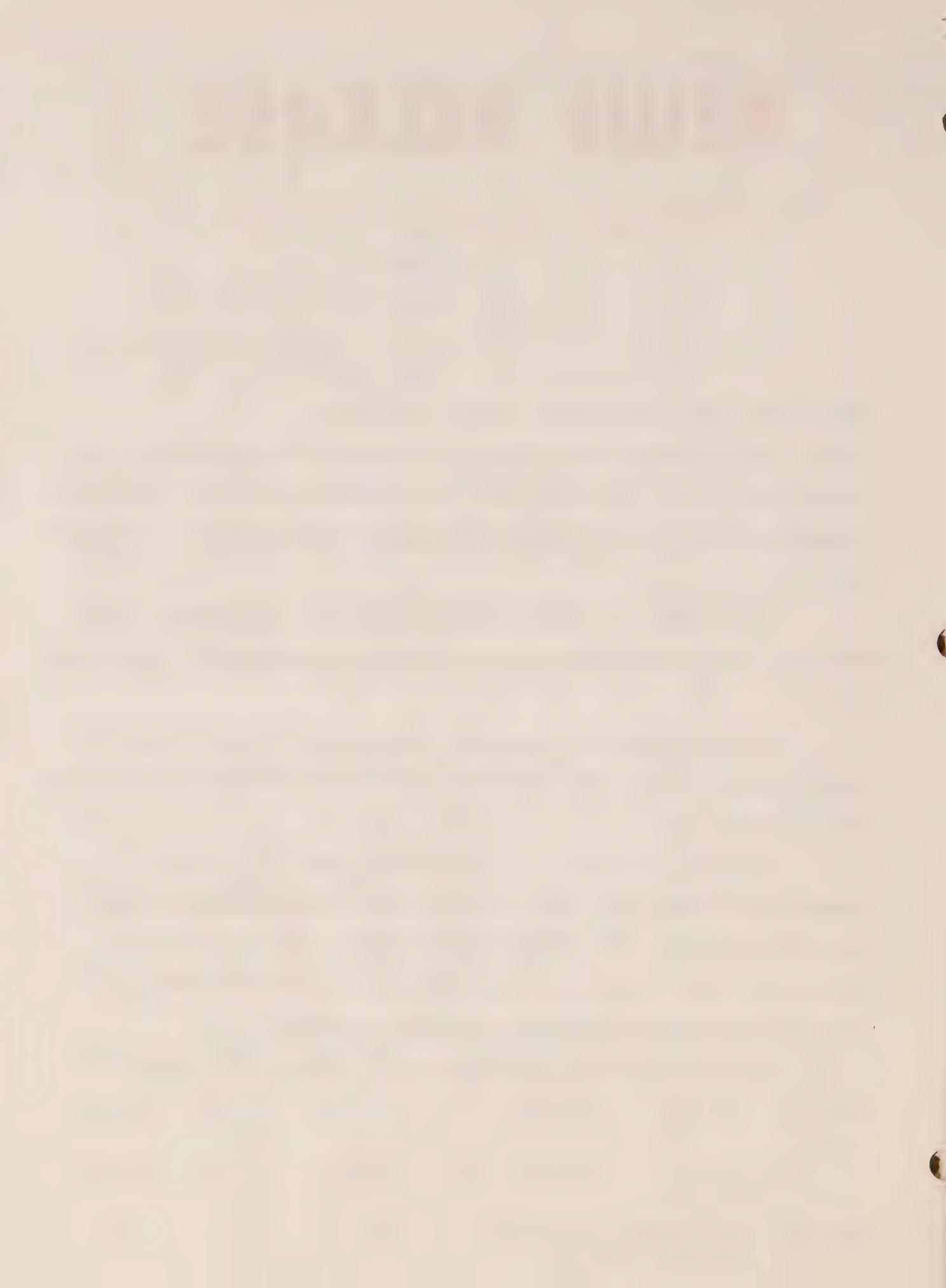
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received an application from Consolidated Natural Gas Limited for an amendment to its natural gas Licence No. GL-61, which would add Monchy, Saskatchewan as an export point.

The company has requested that approval be subject to the provision that ProGas Limited make a similar amendment to its Licence GL-57.

The amendment, if approved, would permit Consolidated to export natural gas on the pipeline facilities of Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd.

The Board has set the application down for hearing commencing on March 18, 1980, at 9:30 a.m. in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario. The application will be heard at the same time as the Pan-Alberta Gas Ltd. application for a natural gas export licence.

The deadline for interventions has been set at March 14, 1980.



NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA,

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 11, 1980.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD STATES FINDINGS ON PHASE IV (a) OF FOOTHILLS (YUKON) TARIFF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today delivered from the Bench its Findings on Phase IV (a) of the Hearing into the tariffs, tolls, financing of the pipeline, and related matters of Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd.

In Phase IV (a), the Board received evidence and submissions on the minimum conditions necessary to make the financing of the prebuilt facilities of Foothills (Yukon) feasible.

The key findings, which will appear in a report to be released by the Board within a few days, are as follows:

1. Prebuild facilities are not financeable on the basis of presently approved exports and depreciation rates.
2. The Western Leg of the Foothills (Yukon) pipeline would be financeable with total throughputs of 19 906 500 000 m³ (701 Bcf) dedicated through firm export licences.
3. The Eastern Leg would be financeable with total throughputs of 57 987 100 000 m³ (2,046 Bcf) dedicated through firm export licences.
4. Minimum conditions of financeability would appear to require the transfer to the Eastern Leg of 12 747 500 000 m³ (450 Bcf) from already licensed volumes now dedicated to other pipeline systems.

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5. As a minimum condition for financing, certain high rates of depreciation are necessary before Alaska gas begins to flow; subject to adjustment at that time.
6. The conditional licence applied for by Pan-Alberta to export 9 953 200 000 m³ (352 Bcf) of gas through the Western Leg from 1988 to 1992 is not required for the financing of the pipeline.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 21, 1980.

NEB ISSUES INTERIM DECISION ON TRANSCANADA NATURAL GAS CONSTRUCTION IN QUEBEC

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today an interim decision on part of an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited to extend its natural gas pipeline beyond Montreal.

TransCanada was one of two Applicants in a public hearing before the Board held to consider the construction of a natural gas pipeline between Montreal, Quebec, and Halifax, Nova Scotia.

TransCanada applied to extend its pipeline from Montreal to Quebec City.

Q & M Pipe Lines Ltd., the other Applicant, proposed to build a natural gas pipeline from Quebec City to Halifax.

Near the conclusion of the hearing, TransCanada requested the Board to give expedited consideration to the initial section of its proposed pipeline involving the crossing of the Lake of Two Mountains, near Oka, Quebec. This request was made without prejudice to the applications for certificates filed by TransCanada and Q & M. TransCanada stated that, for environmental reasons, the crossing of the Lake of Two Mountains can only be constructed in the summer months. If it were not constructed in the summer of 1980, natural gas service to new market areas would be delayed by one year.

In its interim Report the Board issued a certificate to TransCanada for the construction of the first section of its proposed pipeline, including the crossing of the Lake of Two Mountains. This new section of pipeline, some 54 kilometres in length, would extend from the terminus of TransCanada's existing mainline at St-Lazare, near Montreal, to Boisbriand, on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence River.

Although the line to Boisbriand is a relatively small portion of the overall natural gas pipeline project, the forecast gas requirements in the markets to be served by the Boisbriand lateral represent approximately 39 percent of the forecast natural gas requirements of Montreal and environs in 1990.

The hearing on the two applications began in Ottawa on September 25, 1979 and, following sessions in Quebec City, Halifax and Fredericton, ended in Ottawa on January 30, 1980.

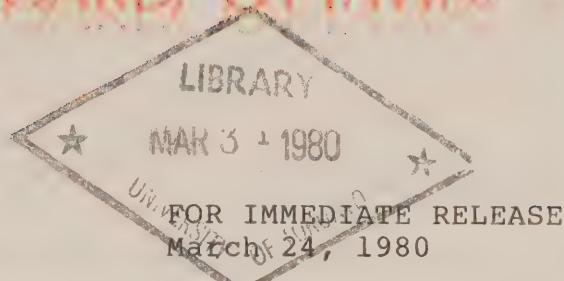
The Board intends to issue at a later date its full reasons for decision and its decision in the matter of the two applications which were before it in the hearing.

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IPL APPLIES FOR OIL PIPELINE CERTIFICATE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received an application from Interprovincial Pipe Line (NW) Ltd. for a certificate to construct an oil pipeline from Norman Wells, N.W.T. to Zama Alberta.

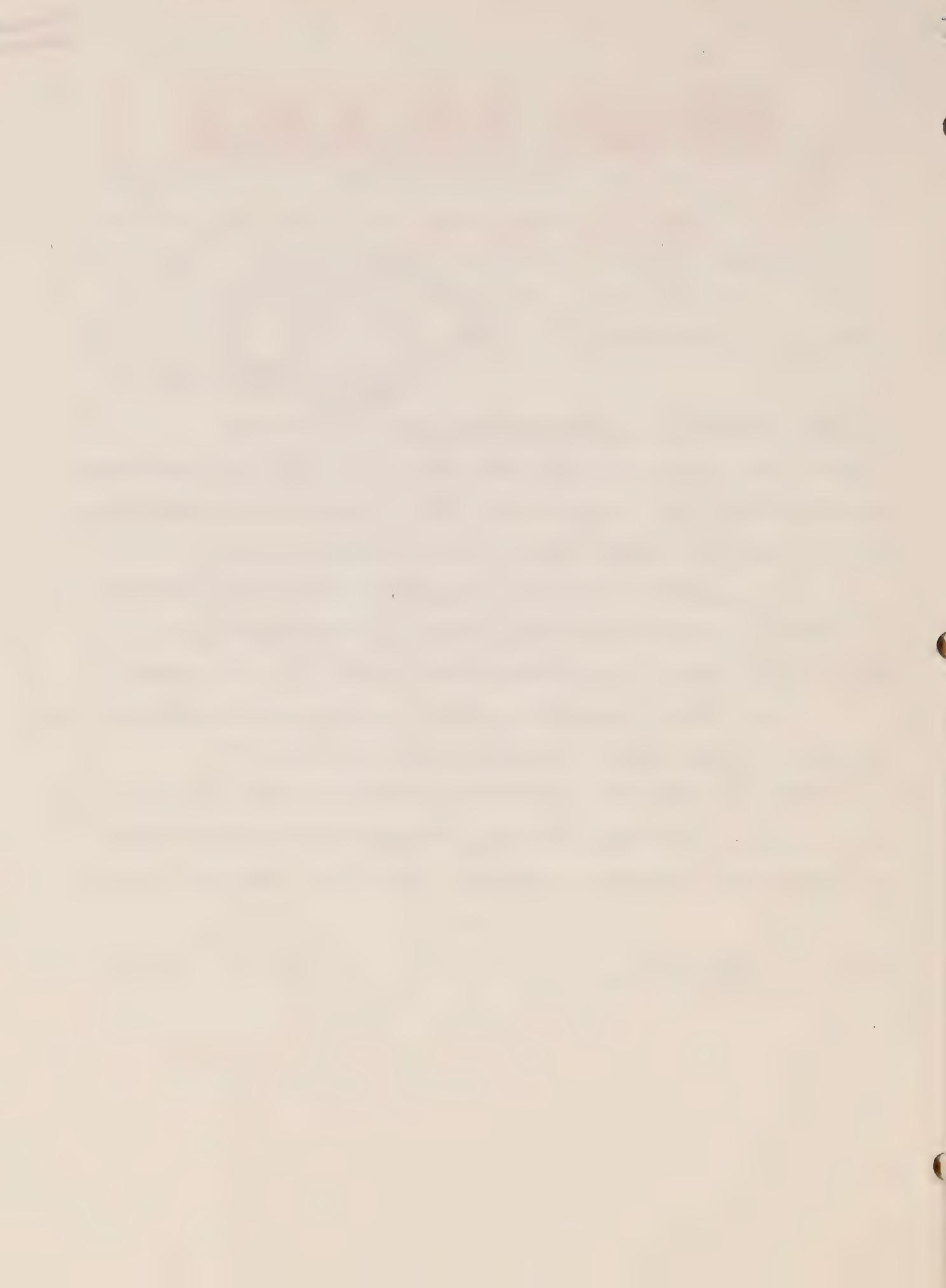
The proposed line would be approximately 866 km in length, with an estimated cost of \$360 million. The pipeline would connect the known oil reserves at Norman Wells to existing Canadian markets.

It is expected that the Board will hold a public hearing of the application some time in the early summer of 1980.

The application is available for viewing in the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, and at the offices of the applicant in Toronto, Ontario and Edmonton, Alberta.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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March 28, 1980

NEB GRANTS TRANSCANADA CERTIFICATE TO CONSTRUCT ADDITIONAL PIPELINE FACILITIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved most of the application by TransCanada PipeLine Limited for a certificate to construct and operate additional facilities.

TransCanada had applied for permission to loop an existing section of its gas pipeline system between Maple and Lisgar, Ontario with approximately 49.1 kilometres of 914 mm O.D. pipeline.

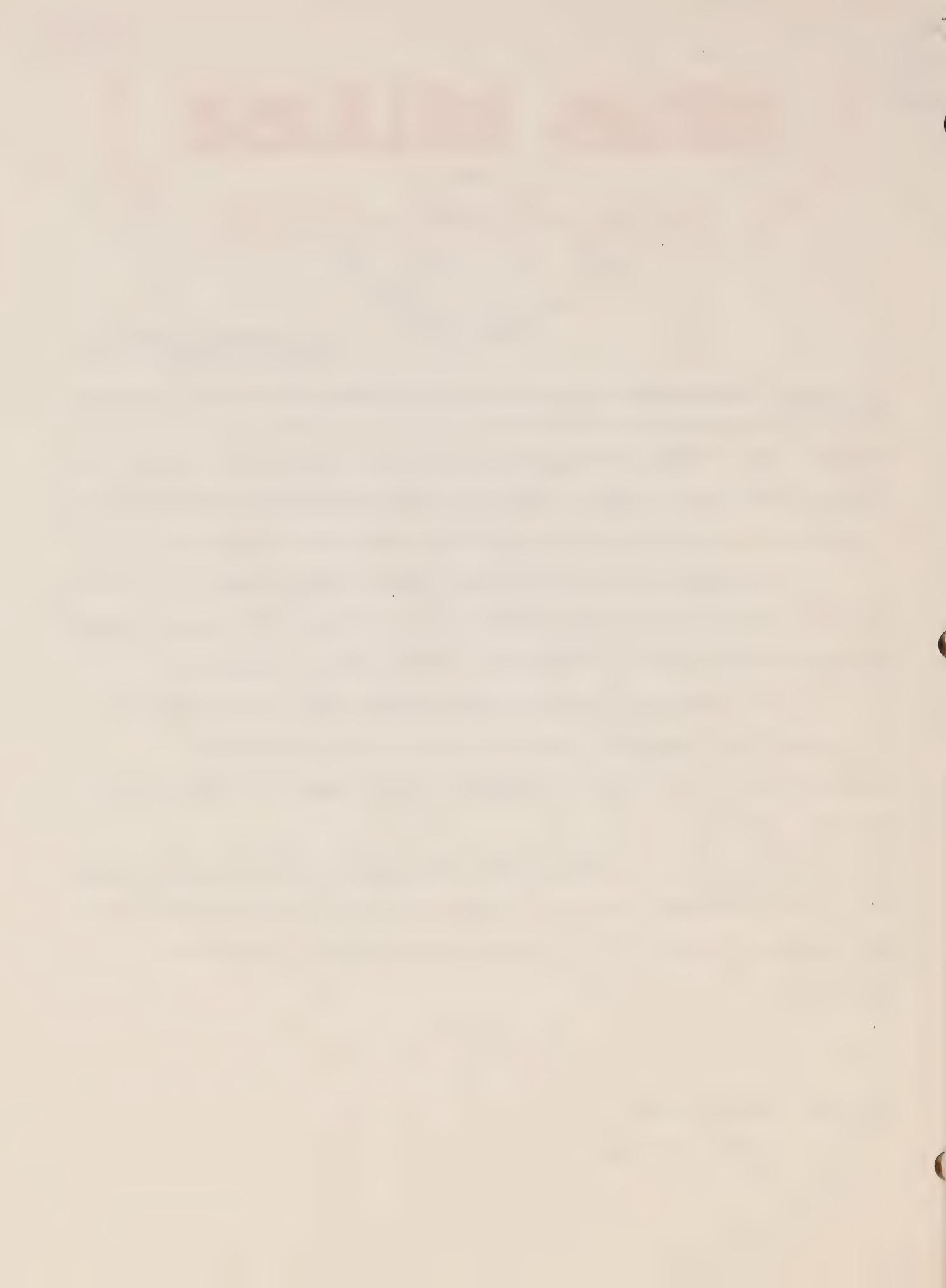
The Board has issued a certificate for construction of 33.6 km of the requested loop as far as a point in Lot 10, Concession 5 in the City of Brampton in the Regional Municipality of Peel, Ontario.

As to the balance of the loop applied for, the Board finds that such additional looping is not justified in comparison with the less costly alternative of installing additional compression facilities.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 28, 1980

NEB GRANTS B.C. HYDRO POWER AND ENERGY EXPORT LICENCES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority for licences to export firm power and energy and interruptible energy for a five-year term to end on September 30, 1984.

There are five licences for authority to export:

1. Firm capacity and energy as a sale transfer to the Point Roberts Service area of Puget Sound Power and Light Company in a quantity not to exceed 32 gigawatthours (GW.h) a year.
2. Circulating loop power and energy flow for simultaneous return to Canada, up to 2 000 GW.h a year.
3. Short-term firm power and energy as sale and equichange transfer at Douglas and Nelway, up to 3 000 GW.h a year.
4. Interruptible energy as a sale to the Washington Water Power Company, not to exceed 527 GW.h a year. This licence expires on June 30, 1984.

5. Interruptible energy, the quantity not to exceed 10 000 GW.h a year less any firm sale or equichange transfers under paragraph 3 and less the amount shipped to Washington Water Power under paragraph 4.

The maximum total net export is 10 032 GW.h a year.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 28, 1980

NEB GRANTS CANADIAN NIAGARA EXPORT LICENCES FOR POWER AND ENERGY

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by Canadian Niagara Company, Limited for licences to export power and energy commencing on the date of approval until September 30, 1984.

There were two licences approved. The first is for firm energy up to 130 GW.h per year, at a rate not to exceed the lesser of 35 062 kW or the amount remaining after the firm power requirements of Canadian Niagara's customers in Canada have been met.

The second licence is for interruptible energy up to a maximum quantity of 250 GW.h in any consecutive twelve-month period.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 31, 1980

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - APRIL, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of April, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

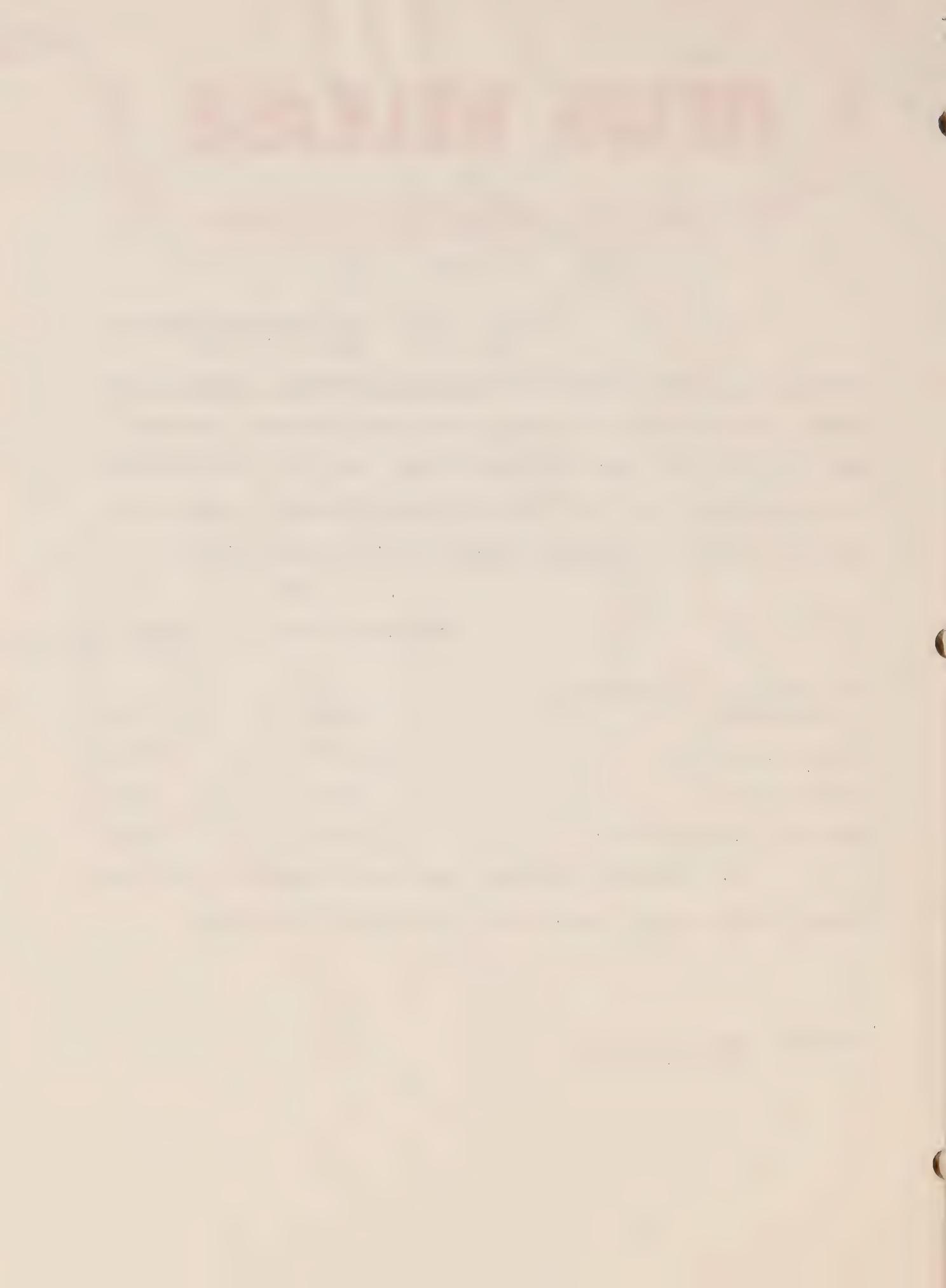
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	Previous level	Level for April 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline Components	114.85	136.90
Middle Distillate	103.85	108.55
Heavy Fuel Oil	70.50	76.80
Partially Processed Oil	114.85	136.90

The Minister indicated that the increases in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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April 1, 1980

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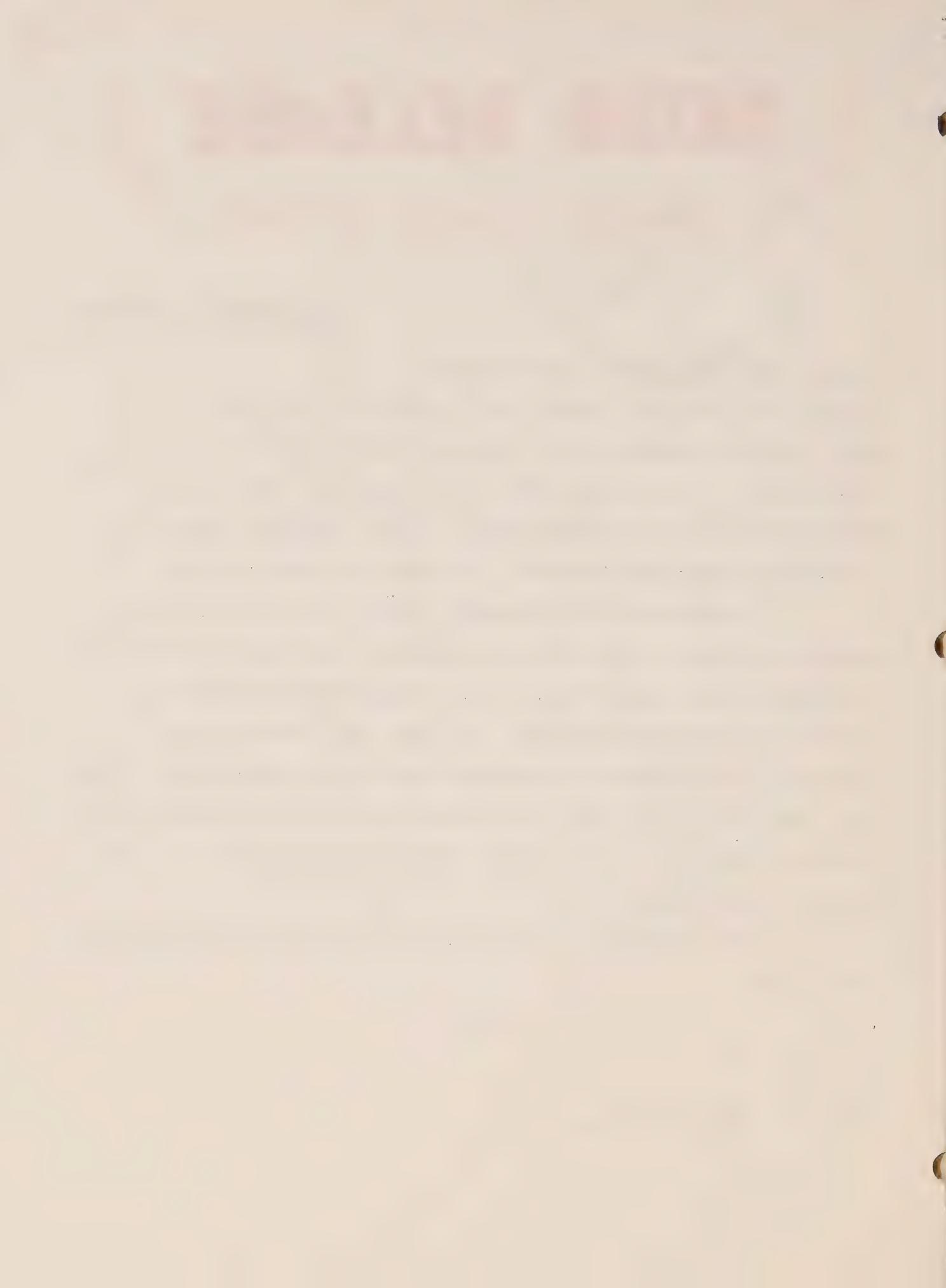
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, May 27, 1980, at 9:30 a.m. local time, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, concerning TransCanada PipeLines Limited's gas pipeline rates or tolls.

TransCanada has requested orders fixing the just and reasonable rates or tolls for transportation services rendered to the Saskatchewan Power Corporation, Consolidated Natural Gas Limited, and Gaz Métropolitain, inc. and for transportation services to be rendered to Consolidated Natural Gas Limited, ProGas Ltd. and Sulpetro Limited. The company has also requested orders approving the price to be paid by TransCanada to acquire gas for removal from Alberta.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Thursday, May 1, 1980.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 3, 1980

APRIL - NEB STATEMENT REGARDING SHORT-TERM OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today released details of oil industry operations for the twelve months period ending on February 29, 1980. (See attached appendix.)

The Board noted that refiners and importers were called on to supply 3.2 percent more gasoline in Canada during the twelve months than in the corresponding period a year earlier. In the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia the increases were 4.5 and 6.5 percent respectively.

With respect to the outlook for the supply of motor gasoline and other fuels during the spring and summer months, the Board again stressed the need for Canadians to reduce their use of all oil products. Some progress appears to have been made in slowing the rates of increase in demand, but much more is required, for example through less and slower driving. The adequacy of oil fuel supply through the year will depend substantially upon how well consumers respond to these needs. Habits of conservation are as essential as an efficient industry.

The Board stated that the operating programmes of refiners and importers appeared to provide for adequate supplies of oil fuels through the summer to meet reasonable levels of demand.

Surges in consumption could, however, cause regional supply tightness, especially in the cases of premium grade unleaded motor gasoline and diesel fuel. The manufacture of these grades is planned at, or very close to, the maximum capability of existing plant and programmed feedstock quality.

In western Canada, it is expected that refiners will be operating virtually at maximum capacity throughout the year.

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HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 12 MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 1980

	ATLANTIC				QUEBEC				ONTARIO			
	Millions of cubic metres		%		Millions of cubic metres		%		Millions of cubic metres		%	
	1978-	1979-	Diff	Diff	1978-	1979-	Diff	Diff	1978-	1979-	Diff	Diff
	1979	1980			1979	1980			1979	1980		
<u>REFINERY RECEIPTS</u>												
Domestic feedstock	-	-	-	-	14.74	16.10	1.36	9.2	28.59	32.54	3.95	13.8
Foreign feedstock - imports	16.49	17.79	1.30	7.9	13.45	9.69	(3.76)	(27.9)	-	0.05	0.05	-
- exchange receipts	0.08	0.53	0.45	-	1.75	3.90	2.15	-	3.54	3.15	(0.39)(11.1)	
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.29	(0.04)	(0.33)	-	0.18	(0.03)	(0.21)	-	(0.11)	(0.15)	(0.04)(44.2)	
Net new supply	16.86	18.28	1.42	8.4	30.12	29.66	(0.46)	(1.5)	32.02	35.59	3.57	11.2
<u>REFINERY PRODUCTION</u>												
Motor gasoline	4.33	4.44	0.11	2.5	9.41	9.23	(0.18)	(1.9)	11.77	12.83	1.06	9.0
Middle distillate (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.72	6.42	0.70	12.2	8.89	8.98	0.09	1.0	7.85	9.15	1.30	16.6
Heavy fuel oil	4.97	5.69	0.72	14.5	5.74	5.28	(0.46)	(8.0)	4.84	5.14	0.30	6.2
Total main products	15.02	16.55	1.53	10.2	24.04	23.49	(0.55)	(2.3)	24.46	27.12	2.66	10.9
Jet fuel	0.65	0.53	(0.12)	(17.5)	1.18	1.31	0.13	11.3	1.15	1.33	0.18	16.3
Balance of output/oil in process	0.23	0.19	(0.04)	(0.2)	2.89	2.84	(0.05)	(1.7)	3.68	4.14	0.46	12.5
Gas, loss and own consumption	1.01	1.10	0.09	8.9	2.05	2.02	(0.03)	(1.5)	3.04	3.38	0.34	11.2
Total	16.91	18.37	1.46	8.6	30.16	29.66	(0.50)	1.7	32.33	35.97	3.64	11.3
<u>NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS (motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)</u>												
Refinery outputs	15.02	16.55	1.53	10.2	24.04	23.49	(0.55)	(2.3)	24.46	27.12	2.66	10.9
New supply	0.14	0.28	1.52	1.64	0.12	7.8	0.03	-	(0.03)	-	-	-
Exports	15.16	16.97	1.81	11.9	25.56	25.13	(0.43)	(1.7)	24.49	27.12	2.63	10.7
Net domestic supply	2.47	2.98	0.51	20.8	1.76	1.34	(0.42)	(23.6)	2.12	1.86	(0.26)	(12.1)
	12.69	13.99	1.30	10.2	23.80	23.79	(0.01)	-	22.37	25.26	2.89	12.9
<u>DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS</u>												
Motor gasoline	3.24	3.42	0.18	5.6	10.11	9.95	(0.16)	(1.6)	11.80	12.34	0.54	4.6
Middle distillates	4.27	4.34	0.07	1.6	9.83	8.99	(0.84)	(8.6)	8.26	8.01	(0.25)	(3.0)
Heavy fuel oil	5.25	5.65	0.40	7.6	5.51	5.61	0.10	1.8	3.47	2.93	(0.54)	(15.6)
Total	12.76	13.41	0.65	5.1	25.45	24.55	(0.90)	(3.5)	23.53	23.28	(0.25)	(1.1)
<u>MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 1980</u>												
Motor gasoline	0.50	0.47	(0.03)	(6.0)	0.71	0.90	0.19	26.8	1.13	1.25	0.12	10.6
Middle distillates	0.59	0.63	0.04	6.8	0.57	1.37	0.80	-	0.88	1.64	0.76	86.4
Heavy fuel oil	0.45	0.49	0.16	55.2	0.52	0.62	0.10	19.2	0.46	0.63	0.17	37.0
Total	1.38	1.55	0.17	12.3	1.80	2.89	1.09	60.6	2.47	3.52	1.05	42.5

HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CANADIAN SUPPLY - 12 MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 1980

	PRAIRIES						BRITISH COLUMBIA						TOTAL CANADA					
	Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres			Millions of cubic metres					
	1978-	1979-	Diff	1978-	1979-	Diff	1978-	1979-	Diff	1978-	1979-	Diff	1978-	1979-	Diff			
REFINERY RECEIPTS																		
Domestic feedstock	18.35	20.92	2.57	14.0	8.85	9.79	0.94	10.6	70.68	79.48	8.80	12.5						
Foreign feedstock - imports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29.94	27.53	(2.41)	(8.0)						
- exchange receipts	0.23	0.15	(0.08)	(34.8)	(0.03)	(0.01)	0.02	60.1	5.59	7.72	2.13	38.1						
Crude stock (increases) or decreases	0.03	(0.04)	(0.07)	-	(0.03)	(0.01)	0.02		(0.38)	0.30	0.68	-						
Net new supply	18.61	21.03	2.42	13.0	8.82	9.78	0.96	10.9	105.83	115.03	9.20	7.9						
REFINERY PRODUCTION																		
Motor gasoline	8.79	9.49	0.70	8.0	3.72	4.08	0.36	9.7	38.01	40.08	2.07	5.4						
Middle distillates (diesel fuel, home heating oil & like products)	5.47	6.23	0.76	13.9	2.93	3.26	0.33	11.3	30.92	34.08	3.16	10.2						
Heavy fuel oil	0.96	0.95	(0.01)	(0.4)	0.85	1.03	0.18	20.8	17.38	18.11	0.73	4.2						
Total main products	15.22	16.67	1.45	9.5	7.50	8.37	0.87	11.6	86.31	92.27	5.96	6.9						
Jet fuel	0.98	1.20	0.22	21.8	0.53	0.67	0.14	27.0	4.50	5.06	0.56	12.4						
Balance of output/oil in process	1.79	2.47	0.68	38.0	0.34	0.28	(0.06)	(17.6)	8.98	9.95	0.97	10.8						
Gas, loss and own consumption	0.83	0.94	0.11	13.3	0.45	0.50	0.05	11.1	7.40	7.95	0.55	7.4						
Total	18.82	21.28	2.46	13.1	8.82	9.82	1.00	11.3	107.19	115.23	8.04	7.5						
NET SUPPLY OF MAIN PRODUCTS																		
(motor gasoline, middle distillates and heavy fuel oil)																		
Refinery outputs	15.22	16.67	1.45	9.5	7.50	8.37	0.87	11.6	86.31	92.27	5.96	6.9						
Imports	0.03	0.02	(0.01)	(29.6)	0.21	0.37	0.16	76.8	1.94	2.45	0.51	26.3						
New supply	15.25	16.69	1.44	9.4	7.71	8.74	1.03	13.4	88.25	94.72	6.47	7.3						
Exports	0.54	0.49	(0.05)	(9.5)	0.09	0.05	(0.04)	(47.3)	6.98	6.72	(0.26)	(3.7)						
Net domestic supply	14.71	16.20	1.49	10.1	7.62	8.69	1.07	14.0	81.27	88.00	6.73	8.3						
DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR MAIN PRODUCTS																		
Motor gasoline	8.44	8.82	0.38	4.5	4.00	4.26	0.26	6.5	37.66	38.86	1.20	3.2						
Middle distillates	5.02	5.49	0.47	9.4	3.22	3.48	0.26	8.1	30.91	30.58	(0.33)	(1.1)						
Heavy fuel oil	0.37	0.32	(0.05)	(13.2)	1.11	1.34	0.23	20.7	15.72	15.87	0.15	1.0						
Total	13.83	14.63	0.80	5.8	8.33	9.08	0.75	9.0	84.29	85.31	1.02	1.2						
MAIN PRODUCT STOCKS AT PRINCIPAL INSTALLATIONS AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 1980																		
Motor gasoline	0.68	0.80	0.12	17.6	0.26	0.33	0.07	26.9	3.29	3.74	0.45	13.7						
Middle distillates	0.52	0.66	0.14	26.9	0.21	0.25	0.04	19.0	2.80	4.57	1.77	63.2						
Heavy fuel oil	0.05	(0.01)	(16.7)	-	0.10	0.05	10.0	0	1.38	1.85	0.47	34.1						
Total	1.26	1.51	0.25	19.8	0.52	0.68	0.16	30.8	7.47	10.16	2.69	36.0						

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 8, 1980.

NEB SETS DOWN IPL TOLLS AND TARIFFS HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, May 13, 1980, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning an application from Interprovincial Pipe Line Limited for approval of tolls and tariffs for the transportation of crude oil and other liquid hydrocarbons.

Interprovincial operates a common carrier oil pipeline from Edmonton, Alberta to various points on the Canada-U.S. border in Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec.

The deadline for the filing of interventions has been set at Thursday, May 1, 1980.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 10, 1980

NEB SETS DATE FOR HEARING ON FINANCING OF ALASKA HIGHWAY NATURAL GAS PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today Board Order No. GH-4-80 announcing that a public hearing commencing on April 29, 1980, under Section 20(3) of the National Energy Board Act on the financing of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas Pipeline in Canada.

The Board's decision to convene a public hearing arises from its amendment, subject to Governor in Council approval, of condition 12 of the certificates of public convenience and necessity issued to Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. under the Northern Pipeline Act. The original condition envisaged that all segments of the pipeline in Canada would be built at the same time and required that financing be obtained for the entire pipeline in Canada before construction would be authorized to begin. It did not provide for the prebuilding of the southern portions of the pipeline and the exporting of Alberta gas through them in advance of the construction of the remainder of the pipeline to carry Alaska gas.

Financing for pipelines cannot usually be obtained until just before the commencement of construction. The Government will shortly be in a position to consider the authorization of construction of the southern portion of the pipeline but construction of the remainder of the system is not expected to take place until later. Therefore, the Board by Order No. NPO-2-80 has amended condition 12 of the Certificates as permitted by Section 20(4) of the Northern Pipeline Act. The

amendment requires that Foothills (Yukon) will need to establish to the satisfaction of the Minister Responsible for the Northern Pipeline Agency and the Board that financing has been obtained for "prebuild" facilities and can be obtained for the remainder of the pipeline in Canada so that the construction of the pipeline may be completed before the end of 1985.

The Minister, The Honourable H.A. (Bud) Olson, in a letter to the Board dated April 2, 1980, has indicated that several matters must be considered by the Government before it can authorize construction of the southern portion of the pipeline. These include United States assurances on the financing and timely completion of the pipeline in Alaska and the remainder of the system in the United States under Clause 4 of the Canada-U.S. Agreement; the forthcoming decision of the NEB with respect to licencing of additional exports to ensure the financing of the "prebuild" segments of the pipeline; and evidence on the financing of the pipeline in Canada.

Foothills (Yukon) has not yet had an opportunity to submit evidence on the financing of the pipeline, and the Minister has asked the Board to hold a hearing on the financing of the pipeline in Canada on the basis of Board Order No. NPO-2-80. On completion of the hearing, the Government would be in a position to consider the Board Order, and the authorization of the southern portions of the pipeline.

In a related action, the Board has in Order No. AO-5-RH-2-79 amended the scope of the Foothills (Yukon) tariff and financing hearing currently in progress by confining the remaining phase of the hearing to outstanding tariff matters; and by Order No. PO-6-RH-2-79 has announced that this public hearing will resume on Monday May 5, 1980.

Board Orders NPO-2-80 and GH-4-80, as well as the letter to the Board from the Minister, are attached.

ORDER NO. NPO-2-80

IN THE MATTER OF the Northern Pipeline Act
and the Regulations made thereunder;

AND IN THE MATTER OF amending condition 12 of
Schedule III, pursuant to subsection 20(4) of
the Northern Pipeline Act.

B E F O R E the Board on Wednesday, the 2nd day of April 1980.

WHEREAS the Board may amend any condition set out in
Schedule III to the Northern Pipeline Act, pursuant to subsection
20(4) of the Act, subject to such amendment being effective with the
approval of the Governor in Council;

AND WHEREAS condition 12 of Schedule III of the Northern
Pipeline Act does not provide for the commencement of construction
of a portion of the pipeline where the financing of the whole has
not been obtained;

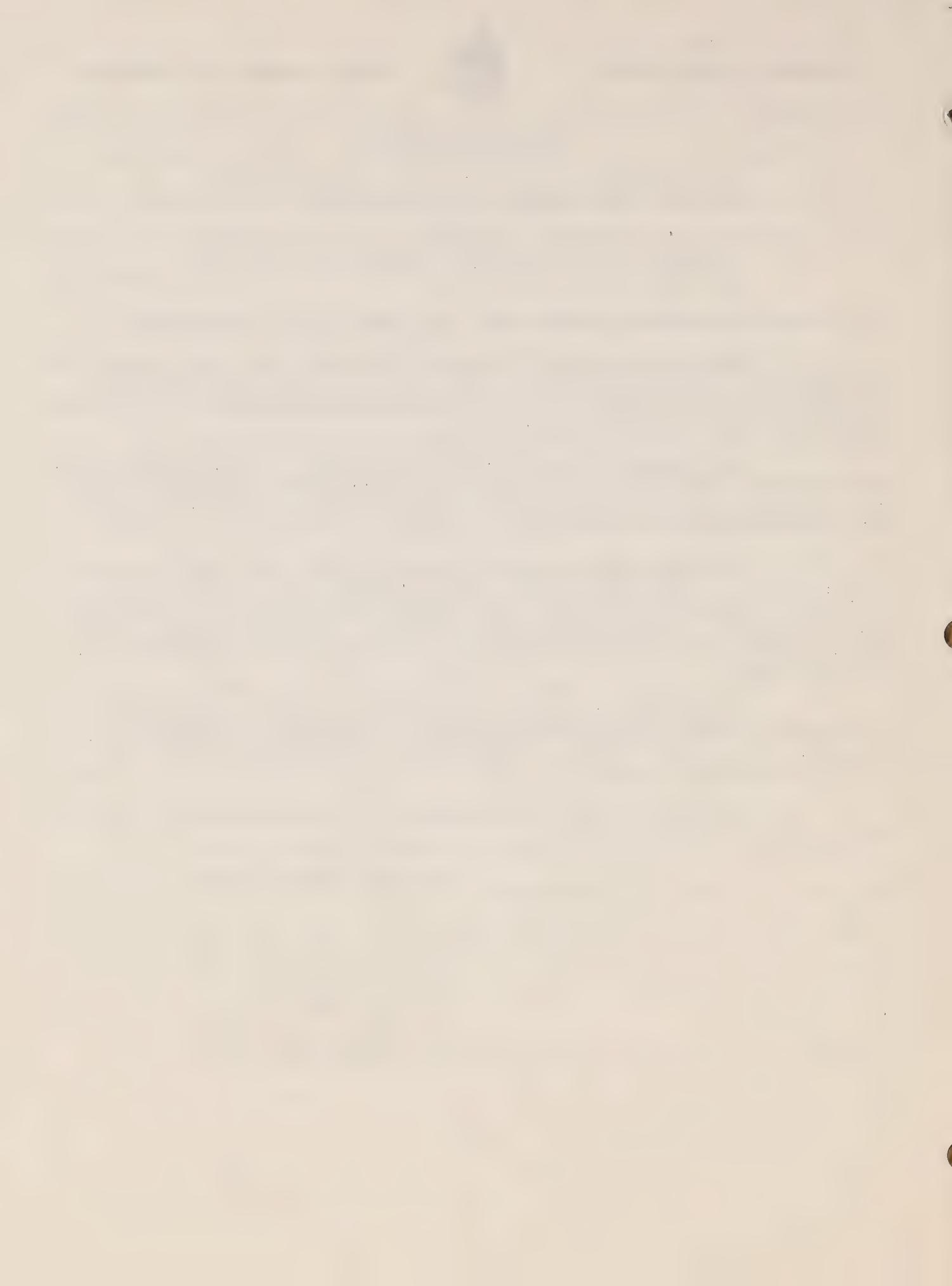
AND WHEREAS the Board considers that the provisions of
condition 12 of Schedule III do not encompass the circumstances
related to the prebuilding of the southern sections of the pipeline
and without in any way changing or altering the requirements under
paragraph 4 of the Agreement set out in Schedule I of the Northern
Pipeline Act.

NOW THEREFORE the National Energy Board, pursuant to
subsection 20(4) of the Northern Pipeline Act, hereby amends
Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act in accordance with the
schedule attached hereto.

DATED at the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario,
this 2nd day of April, 1980.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B.H. Whittle".
Below the signature, the name "Brian H. Whittle" is printed in a smaller, standard font.
Underneath that, the word "Secretary" is also printed.



SCHEDULE

Condition 12 of Schedule III to the Northern Pipeline Act is rescinded and the following substituted therefore:

"12. (1) The company shall, before the commencement of construction of the pipeline,

- (a) file with the Minister and the Board evidence that the company has been incorporated in Canada and is not a noneligible person within the meaning of the Foreign Investment Review Act as that expression was defined in that Act on April 13, 1978;
- (b) establish to the satisfaction of the Minister and the Board that financing has been obtained for that portion of the pipeline, hereinafter referred to as the prebuilt sections, that will be used for the transmission of Canadian natural gas to the United States prior to the completion of the pipeline;
- (c) establish to the satisfaction of the Minister and the Board that financing of that portion of the pipeline other than the prebuilt sections, hereinafter referred to as the northern section, can be obtained to enable the pipeline to be completed before the end of 1985 and that protection can be provided against risk of noncompletion of the pipeline and interruption of construction on a basis acceptable to the Minister and the Board; and
- (d) file with the Minister and the Board documents relating to the financing obtained for the prebuilt sections and such documents shall include all relevant contracts and instruments.

- (2) The company shall, before commencing construction of that portion of the pipeline other than the prebuilt sections,
- (a) establish to the satisfaction of the Minister and the Board that financing has been obtained for the northern section and such financing includes protection against risk of noncompletion of the pipeline and interruption of construction on a basis acceptable to the Minister and the Board;
 - (b) file with the Minister and the Board all documents relating to the financing of the pipeline not already filed pursuant to 12(1)(c) above; and
 - (c) provide evidence to the Minister and the Board that debt instruments issued in connection with the financing of the pipeline do not contain a provision requiring the consent of the holders of those debt instruments to the financing of the construction of the Dempster Line referred to in the Agreement or any other provision, apart from normal trust indenture provisions generally applicable in the pipeline industry, that would prohibit, limit or inhibit the financing of the construction of the Dempster Line."

ORDER NO. GH-4-80

IN THE MATTER OF the National Energy Board Act and the Northern Pipeline Act; and

IN THE MATTER OF a public hearing with respect to Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act; File No. 1045-4

B E F O R E the Board on Thursday, the 3rd day of April, 1980.

WHEREAS the Board has issued Order No. NPO-2-80 amending Condition 12 of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act, which Order shall not come into effect until approved by the Governor in Council;

AND WHEREAS Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. is required by Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act, as amended by Order No. NPO-2-80 to file certain material with the Board and to establish certain facts to the satisfaction of the Board;

AND WHEREAS the Board finds it advisable to hold a public hearing under Section 20(3) of the National Energy Board Act to afford an opportunity for Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. and others in the energy sector, the provinces and the general public who have an interest in such subjects to be heard;

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

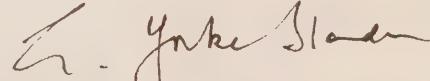
1. A public hearing shall be held in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, 473 Albert Street, in the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, commencing on the 29th day of April, 1980, at 9:30 a.m. local time, for the purpose of providing Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. with an opportunity to comply with the requirements of Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act, as amended by Order No. NPO-2-80. Such proceedings will be conducted in either of the two official languages and simultaneous interpretation will be provided should a party to the proceedings request such facilities in its intervention.

2. Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. shall arrange to have notice of the said hearing, in the form prescribed by the Board, as set forth in the notice attached to and forming part of this Order, published on or before the 10th day of April, 1980, or as soon thereafter as practicable, in one issue each of "The Sun", in the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia; "The Herald", in the City of Calgary, and "The Journal", in the City of Edmonton, both in the Province of Alberta; "The Leader Post", in the City of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan; "The Free Press", in the City of Winnipeg, in the Province of Manitoba; "The Globe and Mail", in the City of Toronto, "The Citizen" and "Le Droit", in the City of Ottawa, all in the Province of Ontario; "The Gazette" and "Le Devoir", in the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec; and, as soon as may be possible, in the Canada Gazette.

3. Any respondent or intervenor intending to intervene in the said hearing on those matters set out in Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act, as amended by Order No. NPO-2-80, shall, on or before the 22nd day of April, 1980, file with the Secretary of the Board thirty (30) copies of a written statement, in either of the two official languages, containing his intervention together with supporting information, particulars, or documents, which shall include a concise statement of the facts from which the nature of the intervenor's interest in the proceedings may be determined, and which shall be endorsed with the name and address of the intervenor or his solicitor to whom communications may be sent.

DATED at the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario,
this 3rd day of April, 1980.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD


Brian H. Whittle
for Brian H. Whittle
Secretary

NOTICE OF HEARING

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the National Energy Board will hold a public hearing with respect to Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act, as amended by Order No. NPO-2-80, which Order shall not come into effect until approved by the Governor in Council, commencing on April 29th, 1980, at 9:30 a.m. local time, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, 473 Albert Street, in the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario.

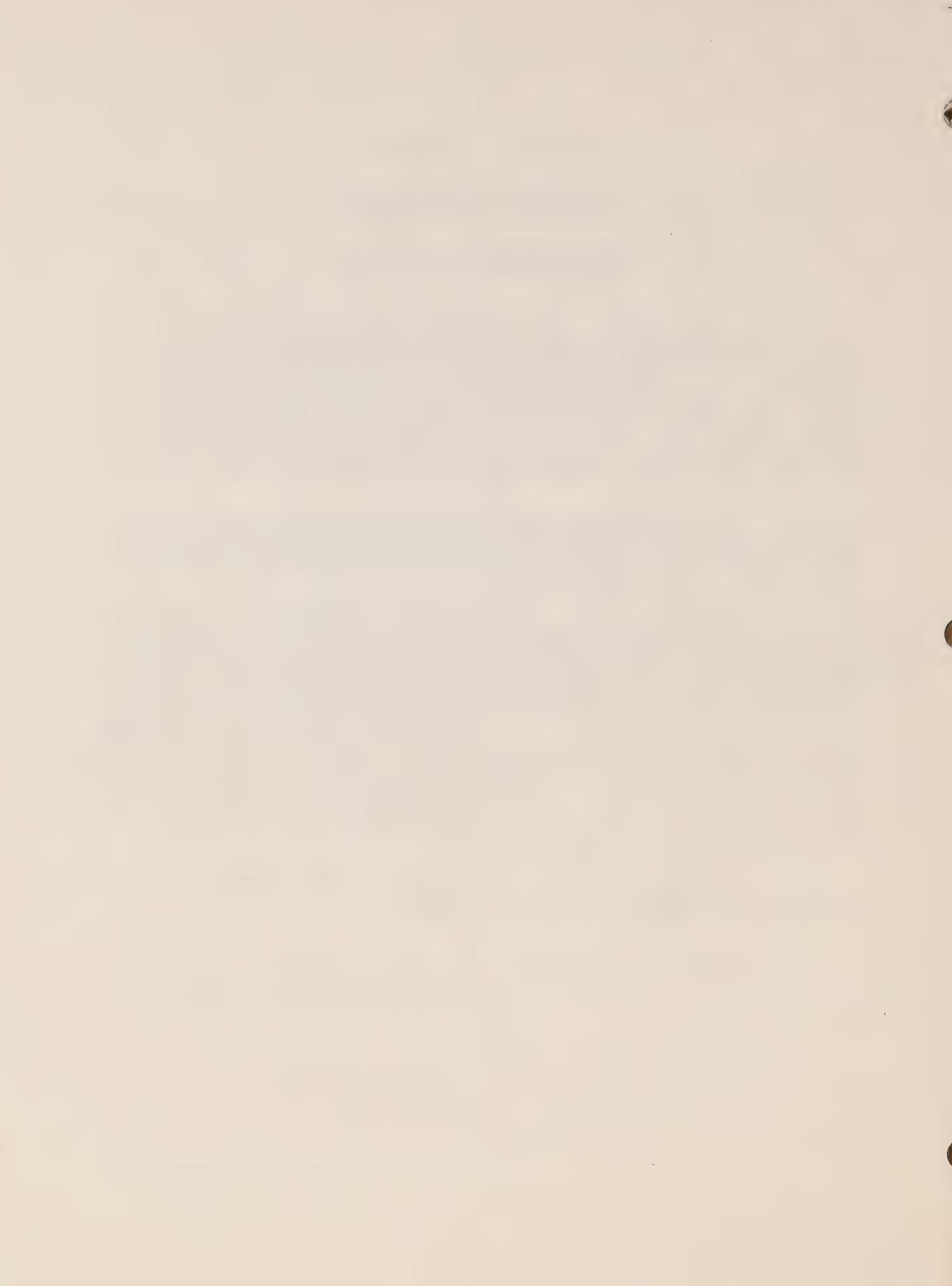
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DATED at the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, this 3rd day of April, 1980.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

Brian H. Whittle
Secretary





Minister of State
Economic Development

Ministre d'État
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Ottawa, Ontario

April 2, 1980

Mr. B.H. Whittle
Secretary
National Energy Board
Trebla Building
473 Albert Street
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Whittle:

Reference is made to your letter enclosing a copy of Board Order NPO-2-80 amending Condition 12 of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act. The Board has asked that this Order be submitted to the Governor in Council for consideration in accordance with Section 20(4) of the Northern Pipeline Act.

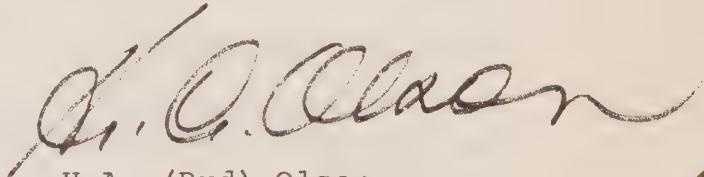
As the Board is aware, several matters must be considered by the Government before it can authorize the early construction of the southern portion of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas pipeline. Under Clause 4 of the Canada/U.S. Agreement, the U.S. Government will be making its views known to the Canadian Government on the financing of the U.S. portion of the pipeline and the assurance of its timely completion. As well, I understand the National Energy Board will be shortly making its decision with respect to licensing additional gas exports to ensure the financing of the pre-built segments of the pipeline. In addition, evidence is needed on the financing of the pipeline in Canada.

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Foothills (Yukon) has not yet had an opportunity to submit evidence in respect to this latter requirement. It would therefore assist in the decision-making process of the Government if the Board would, under Section 20(3) of the National Energy Board Act, initiate a hearing into the financing of the pipeline in Canada referred to in your Order NPO-2-80.

Once such a hearing has been held and the evidence obtained, the Government will be in a position to consider the Board's Order and the authorization of construction of the southern portion of the pipeline.

Yours sincerely,



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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 14, 1980

APRIL EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today his proposal that the charges applicable for the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of April, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$157.30 a cubic metre to \$163.70 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, \$132.20 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, \$135.00 a cubic metre.

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April 23, 1980

NEB APPROVES IPL PIPE REPLACEMENT APPLICATION

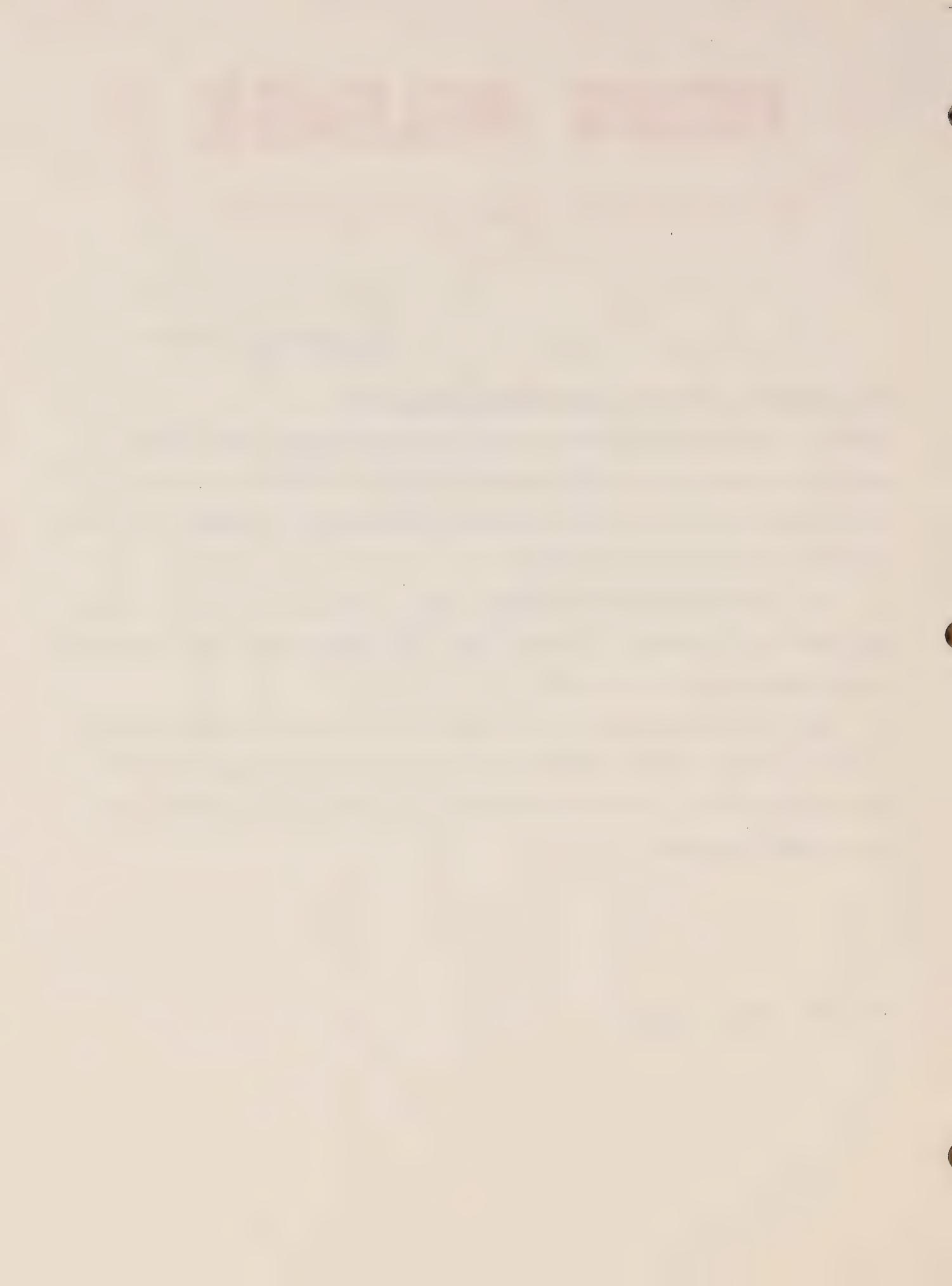
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by Interprovincial Pipe Line Ltd. for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to replace 45.7 km of its 864 mm pipeline in Alberta.

The construction will complete IPL's replacement of 60.9 km of the 864 mm OD pipeline. During 1979, 15.2 km of pipe were installed under Board order no. XO-7-79.

The construction will take place in the existing right-of-way, parallel to the present pipeline. The capacity and operation of Interprovincial's pipeline system will not change as a result of the replacement program.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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April 23, 1980

NEB RELEASES DECISION RE : REFORD GARDHOUSE, WALTER SCOTT & INTERESTED CITIZENS GROUP COMPLAINTS AGAINST ONTARIO HYDRO

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has dismissed the application by Reford Gardhouse and Walter Scott, on behalf of themselves and the Interested Citizens Coalition, Halton Hills Corridor Committee respecting the 500 kv power line being constructed by Ontario Hydro between the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station and the Milton Transformer Station in Ontario. The Applicants requested the Board to prohibit Ontario Hydro from continuing with construction of the power line, to require Ontario Hydro to apply for a certificate under section 44 of the National Energy Board Act authorizing construction of the power line and to revoke or suspend Ontario Hydro's existing licence for the export of electric energy.

After considering written submissions filed with the Board by the Applicants and Ontario Hydro, the Board concluded :

1. The Bruce to Milton power line is not an "international power line" within the meaning of the National Energy Board Act, and therefore not subject to the jurisdiction of the National Energy Board.

2. There was no evidence of any non-compliance or violation by Ontario Hydro of any term or condition of Licence No. EL-95.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR RELEASE AT 5:00 P.M.
April 30, 1980.

NEB RECOMMENDS THAT PAN-ALBERTA GAS EXPORT LICENCES & CONSOLIDATED LICENCE AMENDMENT APPLICATION BE GRANTED

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it is releasing its Reasons for Decision on the applications by Pan-Alberta Gas Ltd. for licences to export natural gas to the United States and an application by Consolidated Natural Gas Limited for an amendment to its natural gas Licence No. GL-61, adding Monchy, Saskatchewan as an export point. The Board's decision has not yet been considered by the Governor in Council. Governor in Council approved is required before the licences become effective.

The Board's report is being released before being considered by the Governor in Council in order that the regulatory proceedings on the financing of the Alaska Highway Gas Pipeline in Canada may be completed with a knowledge of the Board's decision on the requested Pan-Alberta exports and to facilitate the completion of the regulatory process. This procedure will enable full information to be available before government decisions are made on the authorization of the pre-build of the southern portion of the pipeline.

The Board has recommended that, with minor exceptions, all the gas applied for and found to be surplus, be licensed for export, although a portion of the volume to be licensed would be subject to curtailment if deliverability is insufficient. The total amount recommended is equivalent to the quantity of gas which the Board earlier found necessary for the financing of the pre-build of the Southern portion of the Foothills (Yukon) Pipeline in Canada.

The Board has recommended that two new gas export licences be issued. The first proposed Pan-Alberta licence would authorize exports at Kingsgate, British Columbia, for a seven-year period commencing 1 November 1980 of a total quantity of 4 632.8 million cubic metres of gas.

The second licence would authorize exports at Monchy, Saskatchewan, for a three-year period commencing 1 November 1984 of 7 914.8 million cubic metres of natural gas, plus a further 1 588 million cubic metres subject to curtailment.

In addition, the Board has recommended that Pan-Alberta's existing licences GL-58 and GL-59 be amended to authorize Pan-Alberta to export in the period ending 31 October 1988 gas authorized for export in the first year of those licences but not exported because of delays in the start-up dates of the Foothills (Yukon) pipeline Eastern and Western Legs. The export of these "make-up" volumes is conditioned upon there being sufficient deliverability in the year of export to allow the export to take place.

The proposed amendment to the existing Consolidated licence would permit the export of 5 099 million cubic metres of gas via the Eastern Leg prebuilt facilities of the Foothills (Yukon) pipeline over a six-year period commencing 1 November 1981.

The new licences and the changes to the existing licences require the approval of the Governor in Council before they may come into effect.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION
May 1, 1980

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - MAY, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of May, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

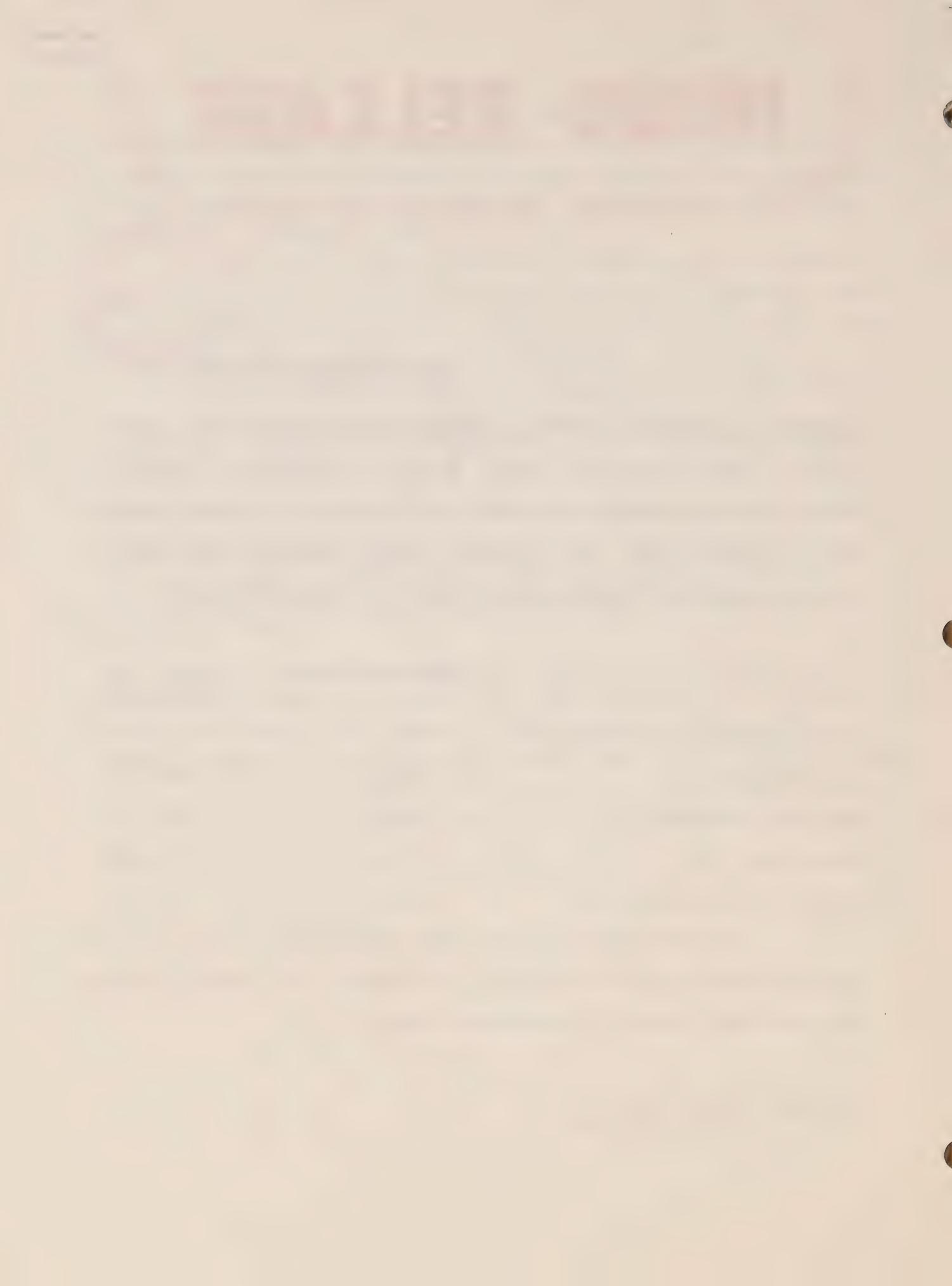
\$/m³

	Previous level	Level for May 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	136.90	146.35
Middle Distillate	108.55	121.15
Heavy Fuel Oil	76.80	76.80
Partially Processed Oil	136.90	146.35

The Minister indicated that the changes in the export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets as well as the lower value of the Canadian dollar.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



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May 1, 1980

MAY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of May, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$163.70 a cubic metre to \$170.00 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, \$132.20 a cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, \$135.00 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the adjustment in respect of light crude oil and condensate takes account of increases in freight costs, a lower exchange value of the Canadian dollar and crude price increases recently announced by some exporting countries.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 2, 1980

NEB TO HOLD ALL-ENERGY HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold an inquiry this fall into the supply of oil, natural gas and other forms of energy in relation to the domestic demand for all forms of energy, and the supply/demand balances for hydrocarbons and electricity.

The Board is requesting that submissions be filed by September 5, 1980.

The Board will announce the dates and location of the inquiry later.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



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May 6, 1980

G. YORKE SLADER APPOINTED ACTING SECRETARY OF NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

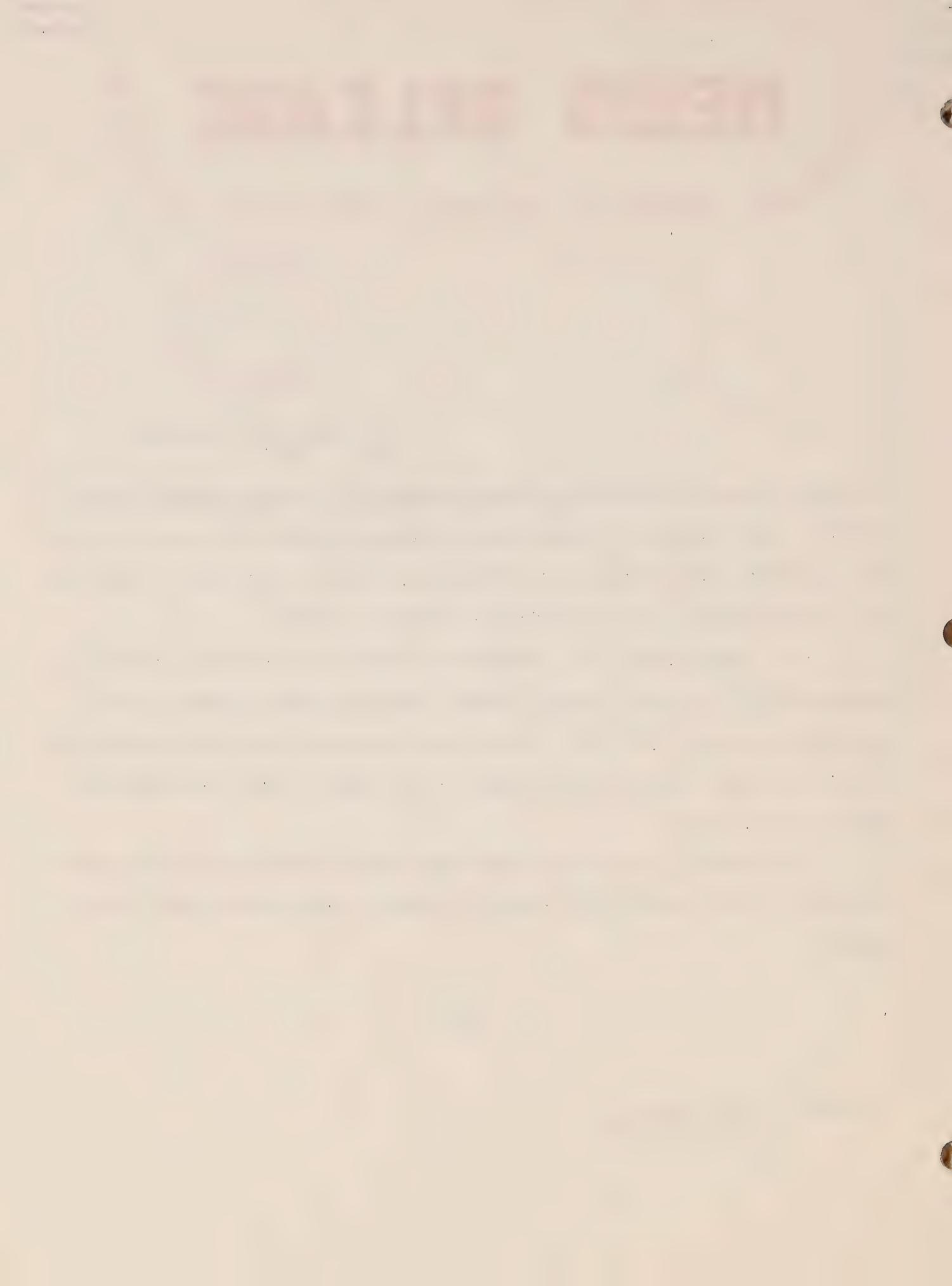
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today the appointment of Mr. Geoffrey Yorke Slader as Acting Secretary of the Board, upon the retirement of Mr. Brian H. Whittle on May 9, 1980.

Mr. Yorke Slader is a graduate of McGill University and was employed with Gatineau Power Company and with Hydro Quebec before joining the Board in 1969. He was the Assistant Director-Operations of the Electric Power Branch prior to his appointment as Assistant Secretary in 1979.

Mr. Whittle is retiring from the Public Service after 30 years of service, the last 13 of which have been with the National Energy Board.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR RELEASE AT 3:30 p.m.
May 9, 1980

NEB RELEASES DECISION ON THE Foothills (YUKON) PIPELINE TARIFF AND MAKES STATEMENT ON THE FINANCING OF THE PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today delivered from the Bench its Decision on the final Phase of the Foothills (Yukon) Tariff and Financing Hearing.

The Board approved a full cost of service tariff for the mainline when "leave to open" has been granted for the whole of the pipeline in Canada. Foothills (Yukon) stated that this form of tariff was necessary before its sponsors were willing to invest equity in the project. The Board has previously approved a tariff similar to that approved by the United States Federal Regulatory Commission, which provided for the abatement of certain charges in the start-up period if the full contracted volume of Alaska gas were not transmitted at that time. A tariff will require the approval of FERC for it to be "tracked" through the ultimate payment by United States customers.

The Board amended the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme for the mainline to make it similar to the prebuild scheme, approved a number of other tariff matters, adopted regulations for adjusting depreciation when Alaska gas flows and approved the preliminary expenditures of Foothills (Yukon) in 1979 amounting to \$47.6 million. The Board also approved the tariff for gas carried on prebuild facilities.

Following reading its Decision on the Tariff, the Board made a statement in relation to the recently concluded Hearing on Condition 12 of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act. This condition requires the Board and the Minister Responsible for the Northern Pipeline to be satisfied on the financing of the pipeline before construction can begin on prebuild facilities. The Board regards the pipeline as a two stage integrated project with prebuilding of the southern portion preceding the northern part of the line, but only if there is a firm commitment to build the whole of the pipeline.

The Board indicated that it must be satisfied on four preliminary matters before it could rule on the financing of the pipeline. These are:

- (1) that there must be credit worthy parties willing to pay the mainline tariff,
- (2) that United States authorities must be willing to approve the tracking of the tariff,
- (3) that ProGas must be willing to commit gas to the project, and
- (4) that the FERC be asked to reconsider its minimum payment condition in its Northern Border decision, which in certain circumstances could reduce the throughput of gas transmitted in prebuild facilities.

The Board expects progress will be made in resolving these issues in order that the Canadian Government may consider in late May or early June all aspects of whether to authorize the prebuilding of the southern segments of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas Transmission System.

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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR RELEASE AT 12:30 p.m.
May 15, 1980

NEB APPROVES NATURAL GAS PIPELINE EXTENSION TO QUEBEC CITY

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its recommendations to the Governor in Council and its Reasons for Decision on two applications to extend natural gas pipeline facilities from near Montreal, Quebec to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The Board is prepared to issue a certificate, as soon as Governor in Council approval is forthcoming, to TransCanada PipeLines Limited to extend its pipeline from Boisbriand Junction, near Montreal, to Lévis/Lauzon, near Quebec City. Among other things, the certificate will require TransCanada to file copies of sales contracts and to submit to the Board information showing that financing arrangements have been made, prior to commencement of construction.

The Board denied an application by Q & M Pipe Lines Ltd. to construct and operate a natural gas pipeline from Lévis/Lauzon to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

TransCanada and Q & M were Applicants in a public hearing before the Board which ended on 30 January 1980.

In denying the Q & M application, the Board said it was not satisfied that Q & M had given adequate consideration to the potential impact on its project of oil and gas developments in the offshore areas of Eastern Canada. The Board was also concerned about the lack of environmental information provided by Q & M.

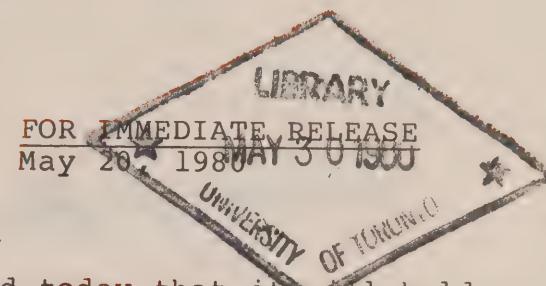
The Board concluded that the timing of the availability of oil and gas from East Coast offshore areas would be more determinable upon completion of drilling of exploratory and development wells, now underway or planned. This would have a bearing on the design and feasibility of a gas pipeline serving markets east of Quebec City, and Q & M might wish to make a new application at that time.

The Board found that TransCanada's proposed pipeline extension in Quebec would increase security of supply by making secure domestic natural gas available to an area of the country now largely dependent on insecure foreign oil. The proposed pipeline in Quebec will contribute to the Canadian Government's objective of energy self-sufficiency by opening up new markets for Canadian natural gas, thereby providing an incentive for increased exploration for natural gas in Canada.

TransCanada's pipeline extension in Quebec will cost approximately \$300 million. The total mileage of the mainline from Boisbriand Junction to Lévis/Lauzon is 240 kilometres and laterals and sub-laterals to serve communities will add another 1240 kilometres.

NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



NEB TO HEAR HYDRO-QUEBEC EXPORT APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing Thursday, June 26, 1980 in the "la Rupert" Room of the Holiday Inn, Place Dupuis, 1415 St. Hubert Street, Montreal, P.Q., at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning an application from Hydro-Québec for a licence to export firm and interruptible power and energy to Vermont.

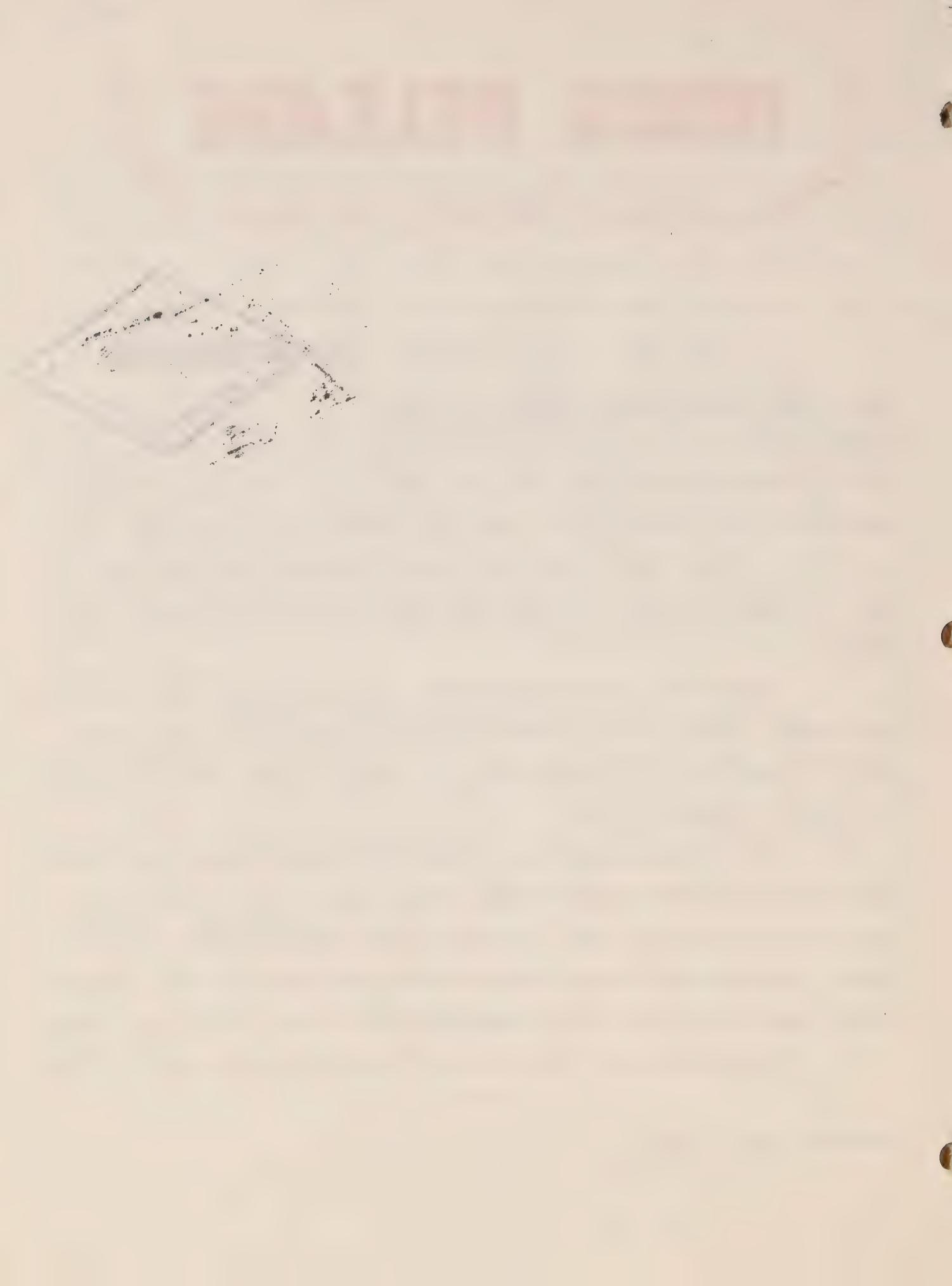
Hydro-Québec wishes to export to two customers. The first is the Vermont Public Service Board which would purchase up to 52 megawatts of power and 320 gigawatthours of energy a year over five years to commence October 1, 1980.

The second customer is Citizens Utilities Company which would purchase up to 46 MW of firm power between April 1 and October 31 of each year from 1981 to 1985. Authorization is also sought for additional interruptible exports such that the combined firm and interruptible power would not exceed a maximum of 80 MW and 525 GW.h per year.

The deadline for interventions has been set at June 16, 1980.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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May 22, 1980

NEB TO HEAR WESTCOAST MAINLINE LOOPING APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing Tuesday, June 24, 1980 in the Regal Ballroom of the Hotel Georgia, 801 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning an application by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited to construct additional pipeline facilities in British Columbia.

Westcoast has applied for permission to construct approximately 37 km of 914.4 mm O.D. pipeline loop at five locations on its existing 762 mm O.D. mainline.

The deadline for the filing of interventions has been set at Monday, June 16, 1980.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR 5:00 P.M. RELEASE
May 30, 1980

NEB RELEASES ALBERTA NATURAL GAS RATES DECISION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its decision concerning Alberta Natural Gas Company Ltd's gas pipeline tolls and tariffs.

The Board has determined that the company's tolls will be of the cost-of-service type, on a similar basis to that which the company has been using.

Alberta Natural had requested Board authorization for an increase in rate of return on rate base from 9.5 to 12.5 percent. The Board found that the return on rate base after taxes should be 11.5 percent.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 5, 1980

JUNE EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of June, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, \$170.00 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, a decrease from \$132.20 a cubic metre to \$131.85 a cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, \$135.00 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the minor adjustment in respect to the Lloydminster and Wainwright-Kinsella category takes account of well-head price increases affecting these heavy crude blends.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 5, 1980.

NEB RELEASES DECISION ON REVIEW OF INCENTIVE RATE OF RETURN SCHEME FOR Foothills (Yukon)

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Decision on whether the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme should be modified as a result of an earlier decision by the Board approving the start of the Foothills (Yukon) tariff when the Northern natural gas pipeline in Canada was ready for service, irrespective of whether pipeline facilities in the United States were completed. The Board on May 29, 1980, had re-opened the public hearing on tariffs and tolls to be charged by Foothills (Yukon), with the specific purpose of determining what effect the decision on the starting date of the tariff should have on the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme.

The Board found that under the new tariff, the rate of return on equity, if facilities are constructed for the same costs as those approved for the final design, would be:-

	<u>%</u>
Zone 1	18.35
Zone 2-5	18.10
Zone 6-9	17.90

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The return on equity for zones 1 to 5 is 0.15 percentage points lower than that approved for the earlier tariff. In zones 6 to 9 on the southern part of the system no change was made.

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G. YORKE SLADER APPOINTED SECRETARY, NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

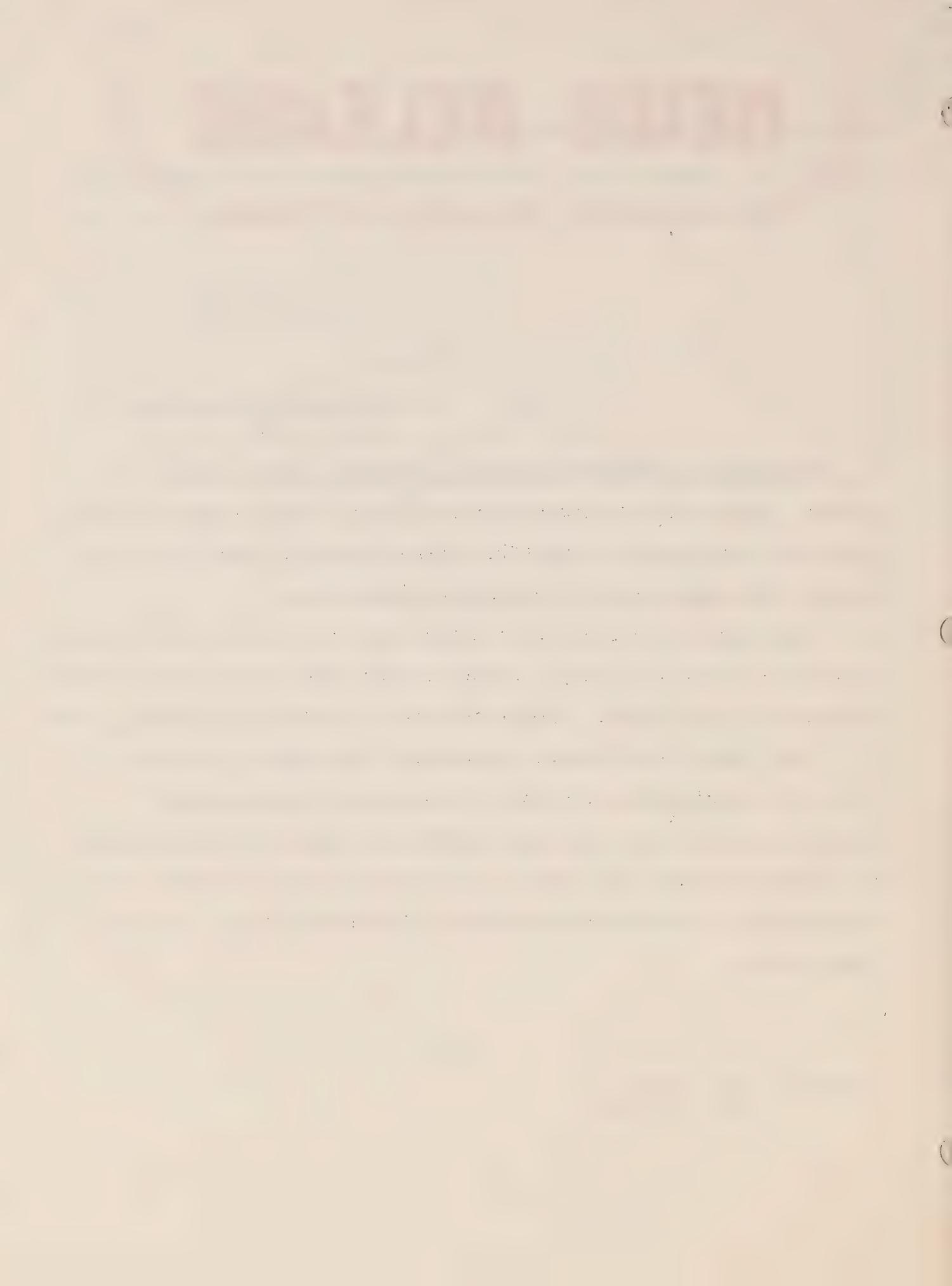
OTTAWA - The Acting Chairman of the National Energy Board announced today the appointment of Geoffrey Yorke Slader as Secretary of the Board. The appointment is effective immediately.

Mr. Yorke Slader has been Acting Secretary since the retirement of Brian H. Whittle in May. Prior to that time, he was the Assistant Secretary of the Board, a position which he held since October, 1979.

Mr. Yorke Slader holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree in electrical engineering from McGill University and has held engineering positions with Hydro Québec and Gatineau Power Company. He joined the Board in 1969 as a senior electrical engineer and was, subsequently, the Assistant Director, Operations Group, Electric Power Branch.

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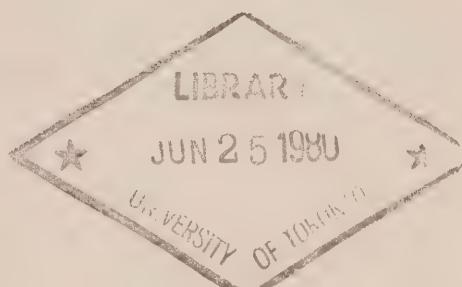
NEB TO HEAR WESTCOAST RATES APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing Wednesday, August 6, 1980 in the Arbutus Room of the Four Seasons Hotel, 791 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, at 9:30 a.m. local time concerning an application by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited for new tolls.

Westcoast has applied for a new schedule of tolls and for orders setting the approved price at which it may purchase gas. Westcoast has also filed a submission setting forth its operating and maintenance budget for the six-month period ending on December 31, 1980, which will be considered at the hearing.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Thursday, July 10, 1980.

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JULY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

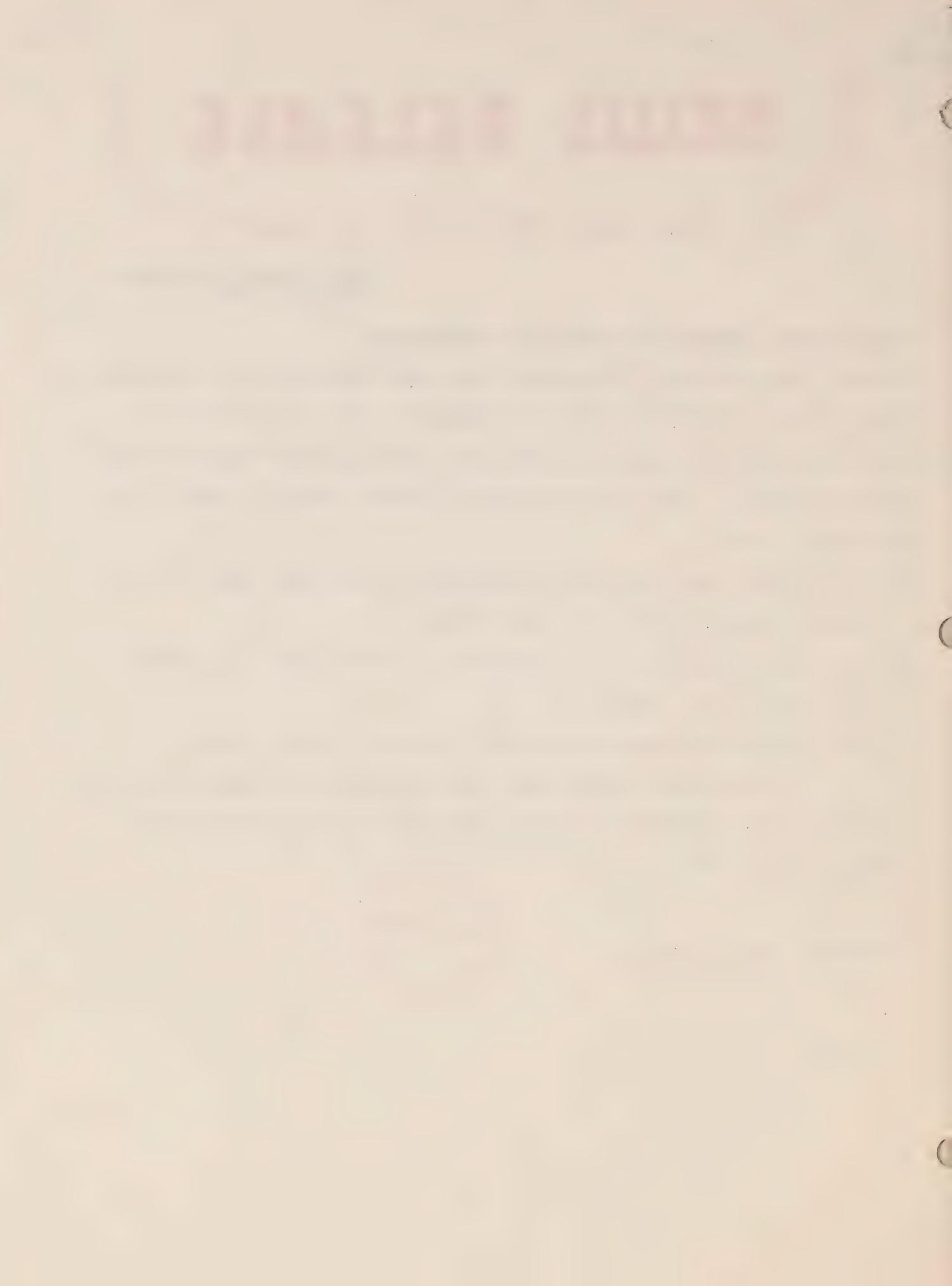
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of July, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, an increase from \$170.00 a cubic metre to \$181.00 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, \$131.85 a cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, \$135.00 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the adjustment in respect to light crude oil and condensate reflects the recent price increases of foreign light crude oils.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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July 3, 1980

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - JULY, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of July, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

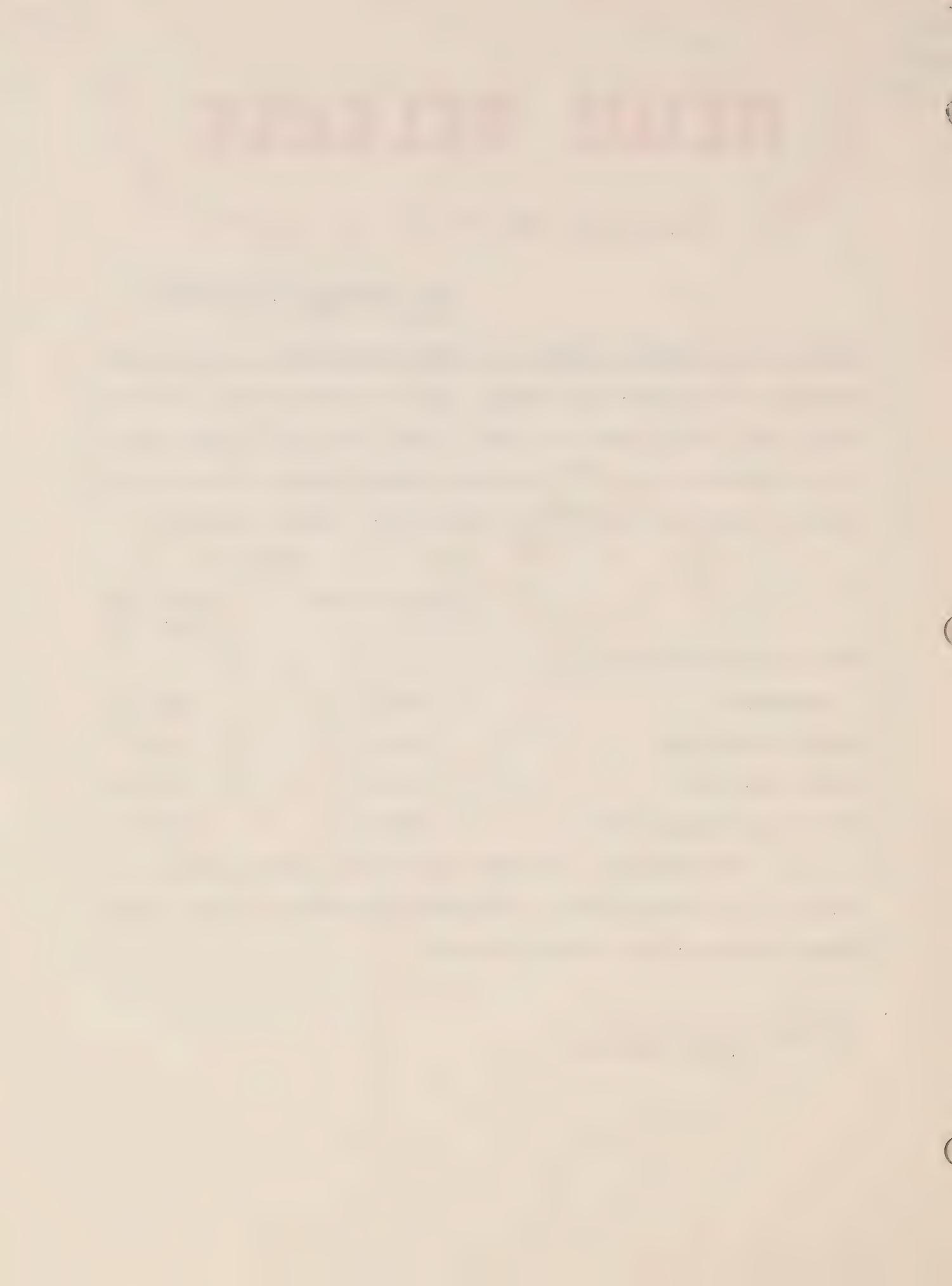
\$ /m³

	Previous level	Level for July 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	146.35	140.05
Middle Distillate	121.15	139.71
Heavy Fuel Oil	76.80	64.20
Partially Processed Oil	146.35	140.05

The Minister indicated that these export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets as well as the higher value of the Canadian dollar.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 14, 1980.

NEB RELEASES IPL TOLLS & TARIFFS DECISION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its decision concerning the oil pipeline tolls and tariffs of Interprovincial Pipe Line Ltd. The application was the subject of a public hearing held in Ottawa this May.

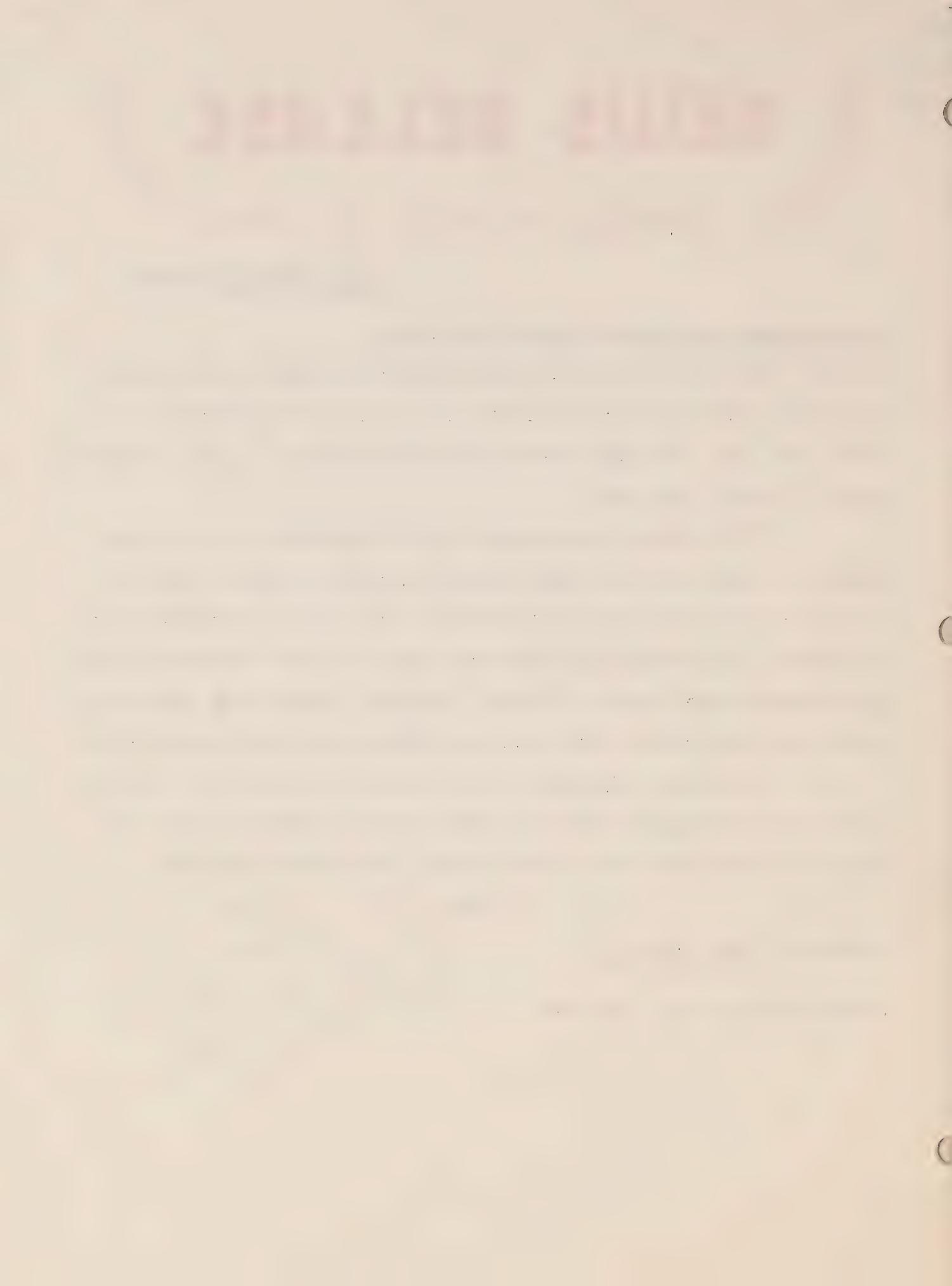
The Company had applied for the approval of tolls that would, in the test year 1980, produce revenue of \$155.9 million, 10.6% in excess of that which would be generated by the tolls now in effect. The Board has determined that just and reasonable tolls will result from revenue of \$146.7 million. This is an increase of 4.5% over the revenue that would be produced by the present tolls.

The Board adjusted the rate base from \$443.4 as applied for by the Company to \$437.3 million, and the composite rate of return on this rate base, after taxes, from 10.38% to 9.69%.

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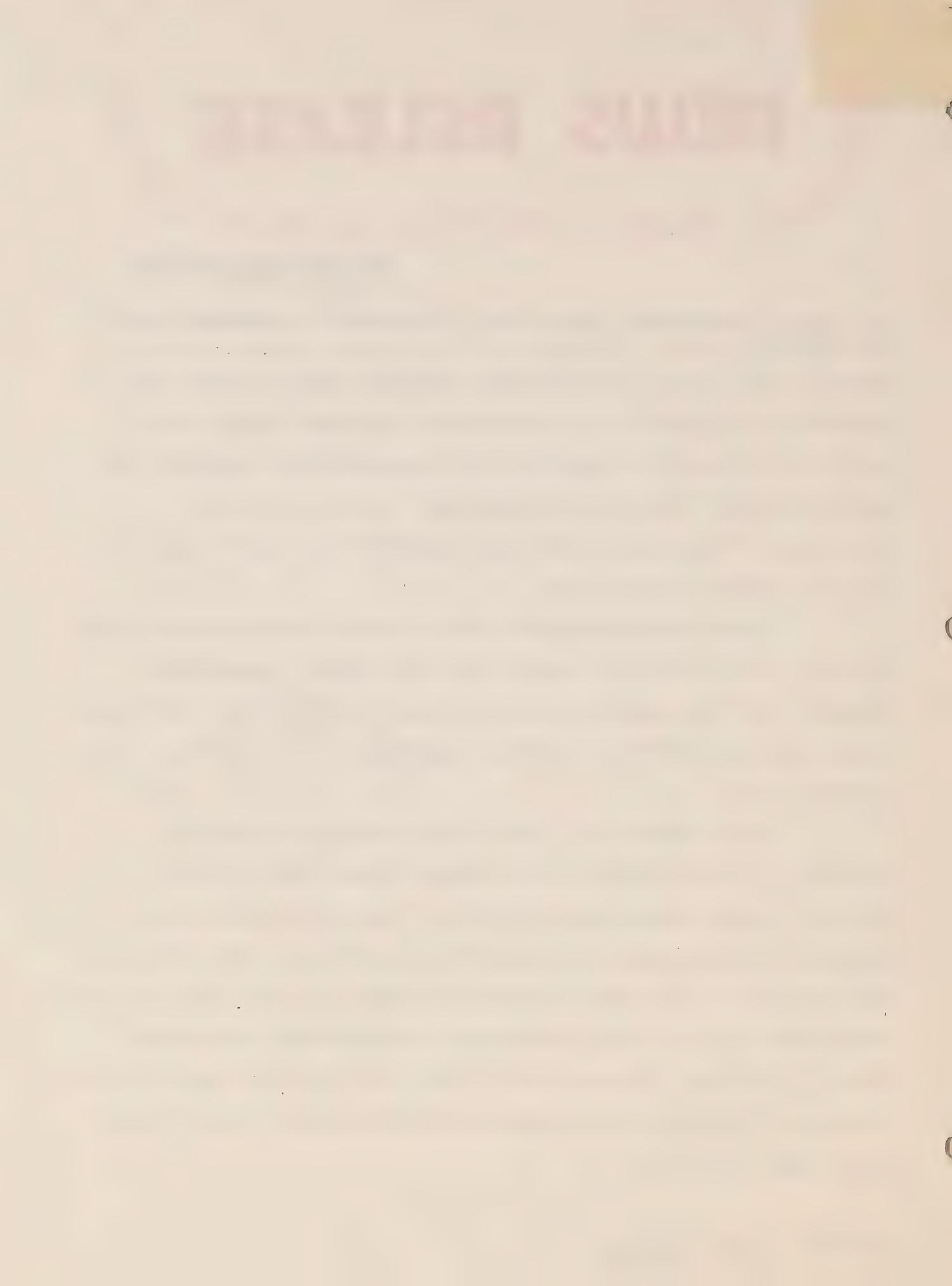
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 14, 1980.

NEB GRANTS TRANSCANADA CERTIFICATE TO CONSTRUCT COMPRESSOR UNITS AND LOOPING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate natural gas pipeline compressor units and looping facilities. This application was considered at a public hearing held in Ottawa in April 1980.

Five 21-MW compressor units, located in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, will reduce the amount of fuel used on TransCanada's system. Two 3-MW compressor units, located in Ontario, will enable TransCanada to meet the increasing requirements of customers on its Montreal line.

Also approved are facilities required to transport volumes of gas for export to the United States authorized by recently issued natural gas licences. These facilities consist of 268 km of 1219-mm loop in Saskatchewan and Manitoba and 207 km of 1067-mm loop in Manitoba and Ontario; also the installation of six compressor units and the relocation of two portable compressor units in Ontario. Construction of the facilities is conditional on receipt of the applicable import authorizations by United States regulatory authorities.



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NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 16, 1980

NEB RECEIVES APPLICATIONS FROM ONTARIO HYDRO AND COCHIN PIPE LINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received two applications: one from Ontario Hydro for various electricity export licences and orders; and one from Cochin Pipe Lines Ltd. for orders fixing just and reasonable rates or tolls.

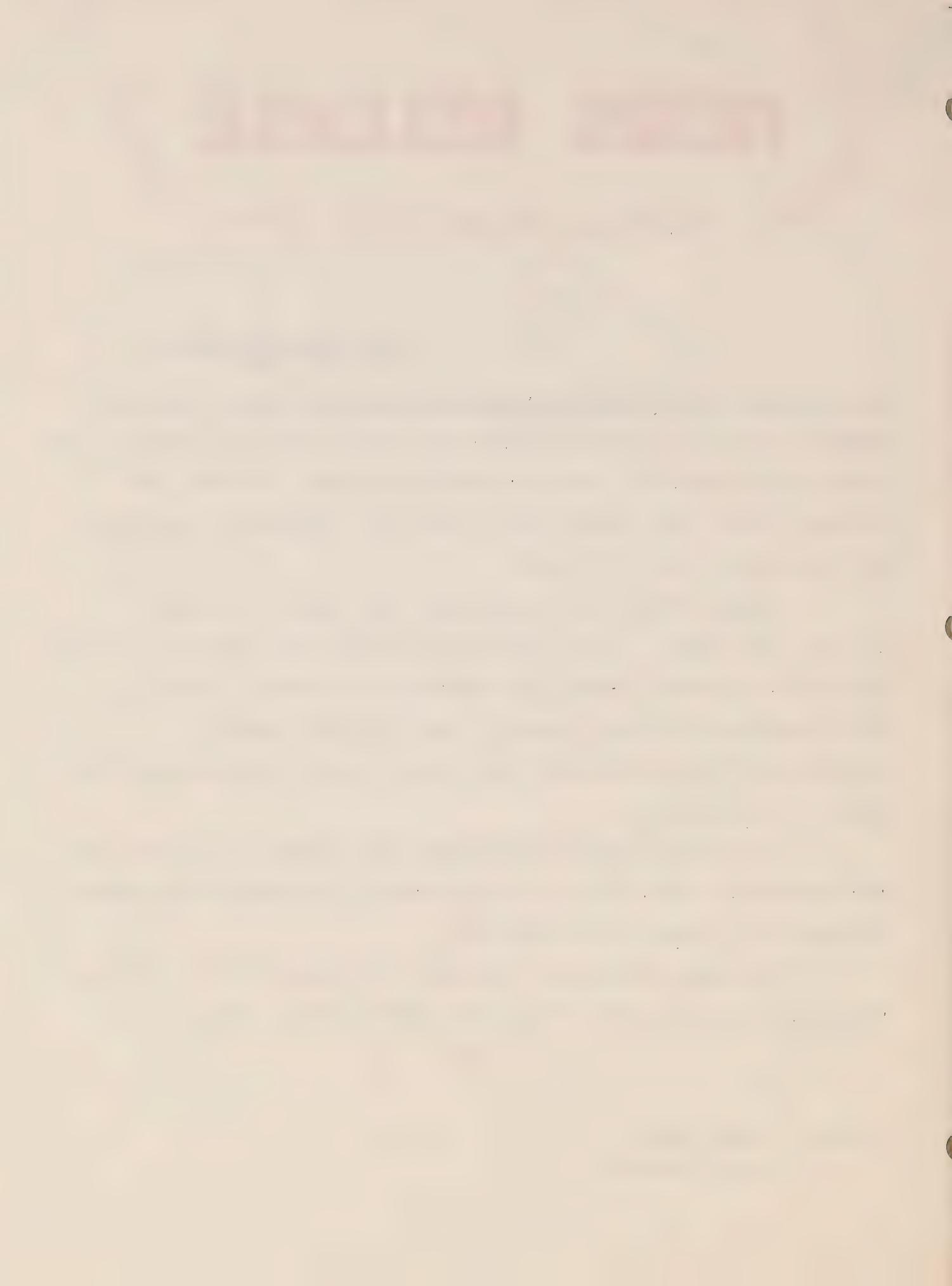
Ontario Hydro has applied for four electrical export licences and orders. More specifically, they wish authorization for a circulating power licence, an interruptible energy licence, a miscellaneous firm power licence; also for orders amending certificates, mainly to raise the voltage on the international tie lines at Niagara Falls.

Cochin has applied to the Board for orders fixing the just and reasonable rates or tolls it may charge for transporting ethane, ethylene and propane in its pipeline.

The applications are available for viewing in the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa.

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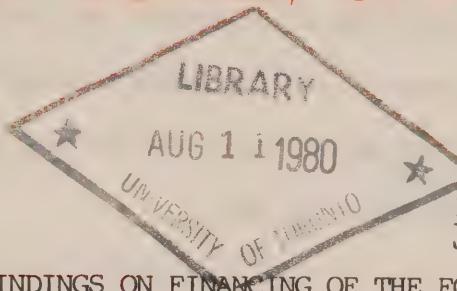
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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD RELEASES FINDINGS ON FINANCING OF THE Foothills (YUKON) PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its findings that Foothills (Yukon) has satisfied the Board as required under Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act on the financing of the pipeline.

On April 2, 1980, the Board issued Order No. NPO-2-80 which amended Condition 12. This was done to reflect the proposed two-stage construction of the Alaska Highway Pipeline with Alberta gas being shipped initially in the prebuilt southern part of the pipeline, with Alaska gas later in the pipeline as a whole.

The Board Order required Governor-in-Council approval to be effective and, although the Order was not then approved, the Board was requested by Senator Olson, the Minister responsible for the Northern Pipeline, to hold a hearing on Condition 12 as amended.

The Board held a hearing, under subsection 20(3) of the National Energy Board Act, in Ottawa from April 29 to May 7. On May 9, the Board issued a statement indicating that no insurmountable financing issues in Canada had been identified but that there were four issues, primarily related to United States matters, which had to be resolved.

The four issues related to the need for credit worthy parties to be willing to pay for the transmission of Alaska gas, the tracking or flow-through of the tariff in the United States, the adequacy of the volume of gas to be transmitted in prebuilt facilities and the minimum payment for gas imported into the United States authorized by the United States Federal Energy Regulatory Commission instead of the "take and pay" clause in the Pan-Alberta contract for the sale of gas.

In response to a Board request, Foothills (Yukon) has indicated that it is now satisfied in relation to all of these matters and is willing to proceed to finance and construct the pipeline.

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Taking into consideration the evidence filed in the hearing and the events which have occurred since the Board's statement on Condition 12, including the action by the U.S. Administration, Congress and Regulatory Authorities, the Board has concluded that Foothills (Yukon) has satisfied the Board as required by Condition 12(1) of Schedule III of the Northern Pipeline Act.

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NEB TO HEAR UNION GAS EXPORT APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing September 3, 1980 in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time concerning an application by Union Gas Limited for a natural gas export licence.

Union has applied to export up to 3.68 billion cubic metres of gas at a rate not exceeding 425 million cubic metres a year. The gas to be exported would be derived by displacement from synthetic natural gas which Union is buying from Petrosar under a long-term contract. The gas would be exported to the Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation in the United States and the licence would run to April 30, 1993.

The deadline for interventions has been set at August 22, 1980.

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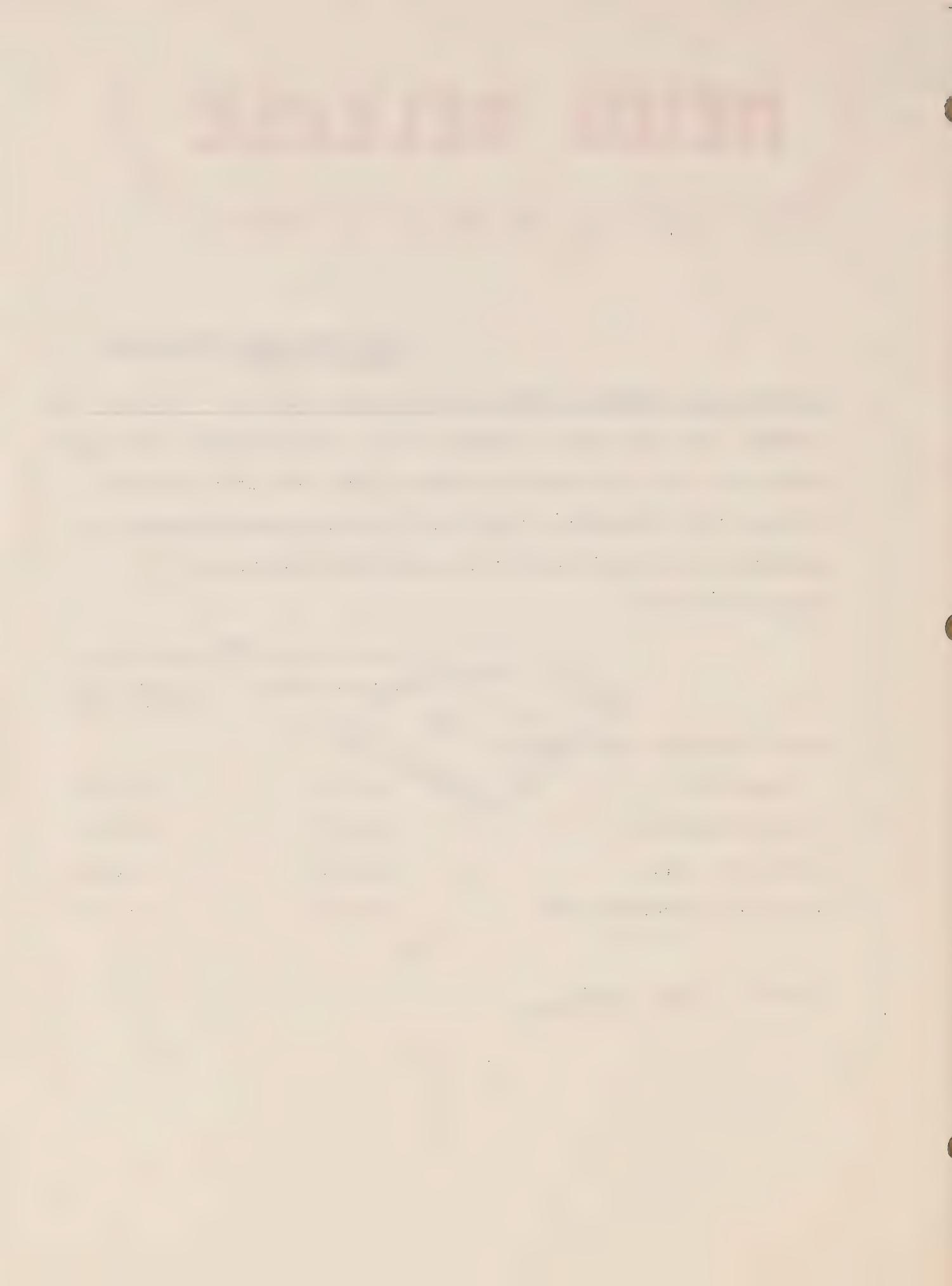
CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - AUGUST, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, announced today that for the month of August, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

	\$/m3	Level for August 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline Components	140.05	140.05
Middle Distillate	139.71	125.25
Heavy Fuel Oil	64.20	64.20
Partially Processed Oil	140.05	125.25

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NEB TO HEAR IPL OIL PIPELINE APPLICATION

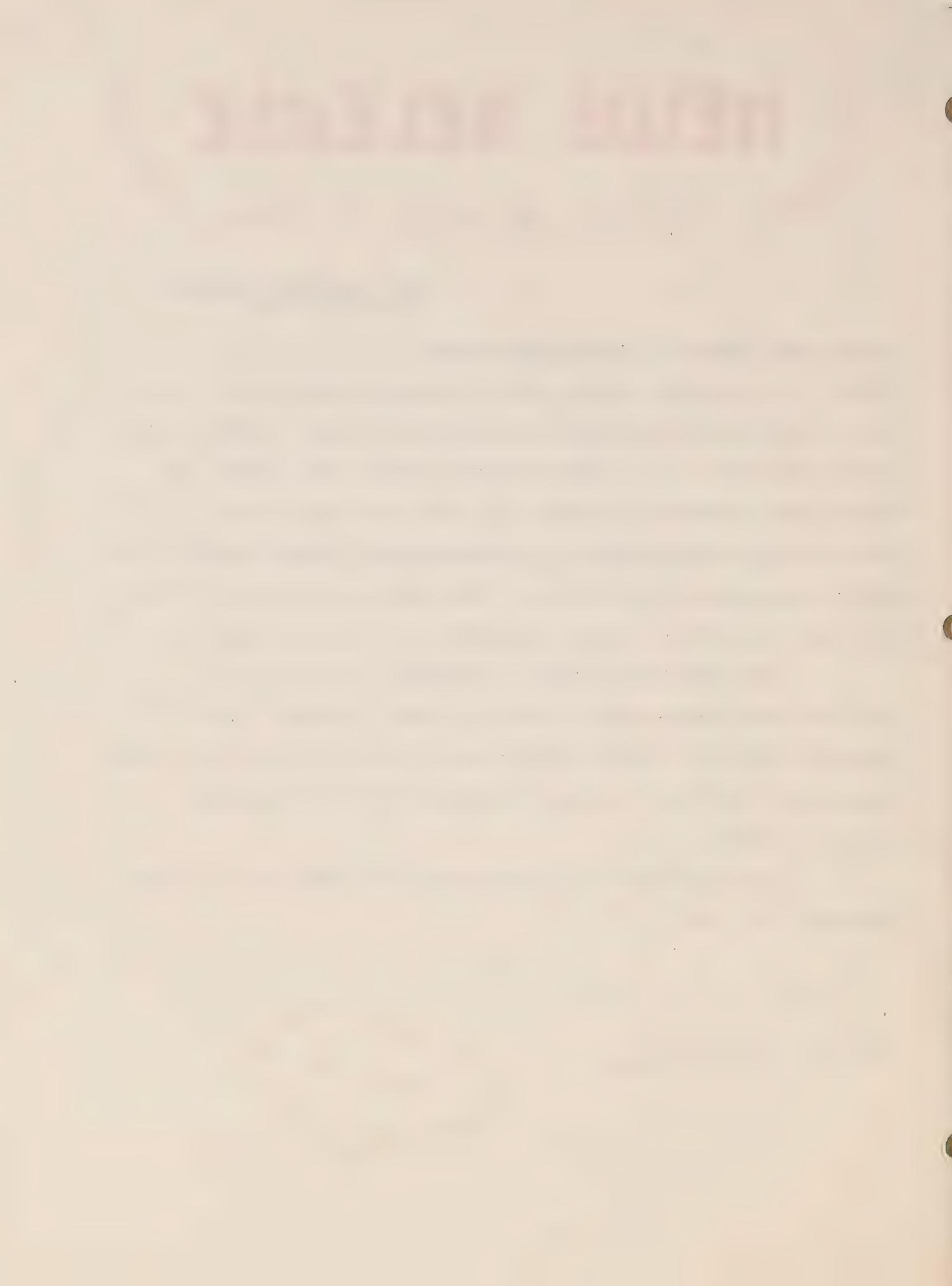
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing Tuesday, October 7, 1980 in the Regency Ballroom of the Regency Motor Hotel, 75th Street and Argyle Road, Edmonton, Alberta, at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning an application by Interprovincial Pipe Line (NW) Ltd. for an oil pipeline certificate. The Board will also sit in the Northwest Territories to hear portions of this application.

IPL (NW) has applied to construct an 866 km oil pipeline from Norman Wells, N.W.T. to Zama, Alberta. The proposed pipeline, which is estimated to cost \$360 million, would connect the known oil reserves at Norman Wells to existing Canadian markets.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Friday, September 19, 1980.

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August 12, 1980

NEB TO HEAR COCHIN TOLLS & TARIFF APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing Tuesday, September 23, 1980 in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time concerning an application by Cochin Pipe Lines Ltd. for an order setting down tolls and tariffs.

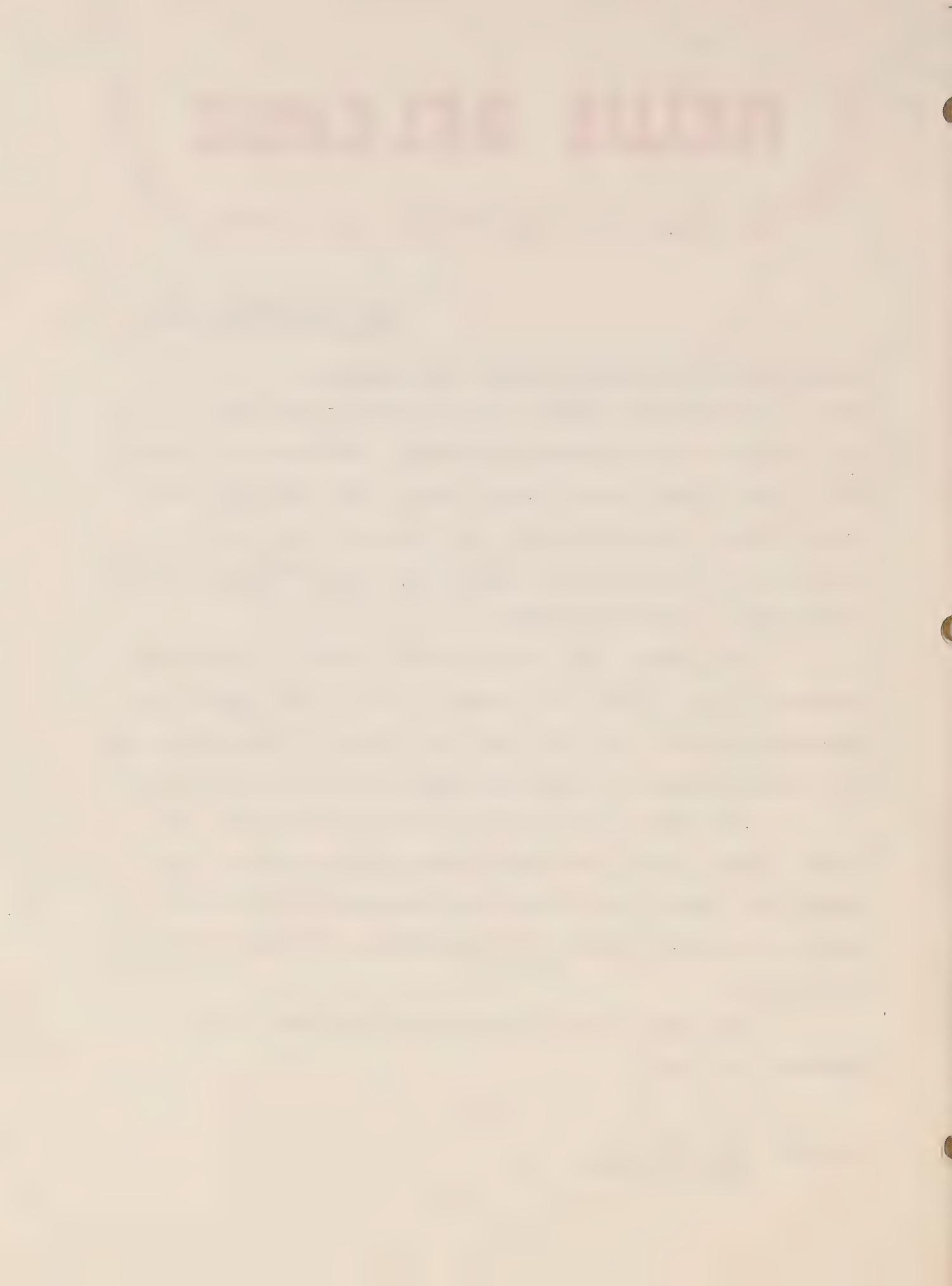
The Company has applied for an overall 25.6 percent increase in tolls effective January 1, 1981. The Company is proposing tolls for the test year 1981 based on the methodology described in Cochin's ethane and ethylene shipping agreements.

The Board intends to hear this application in two phases: Phase I will consider the method of regulating the company and Phase II will determine the appropriate cost of service and tolls, based on the methodology decided on in the first phase.

The deadline for interventions has been set at September 15, 1980.

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NEB RECEIVES APPLICATION FROM TRANS MOUNTAIN

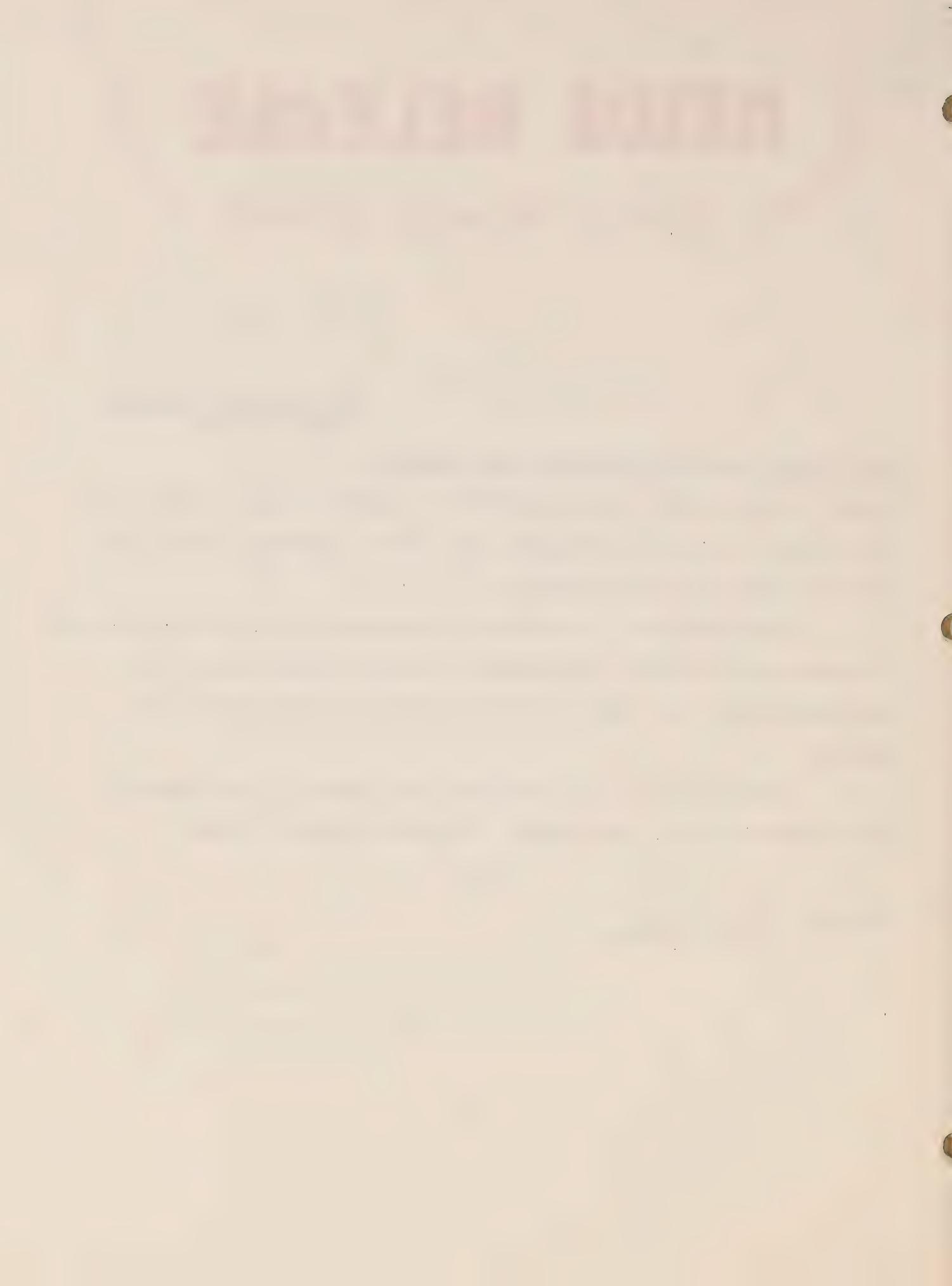
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received an application from Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company Ltd. for an amendment to its oil pipeline rates and tolls schedule.

Trans Mountain is seeking an adjustment to its rate base and a re-examination of the "rate base - rate of return" method of regulating which was used to determine the tolls charged by the company.

The application is available for viewing in the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa.

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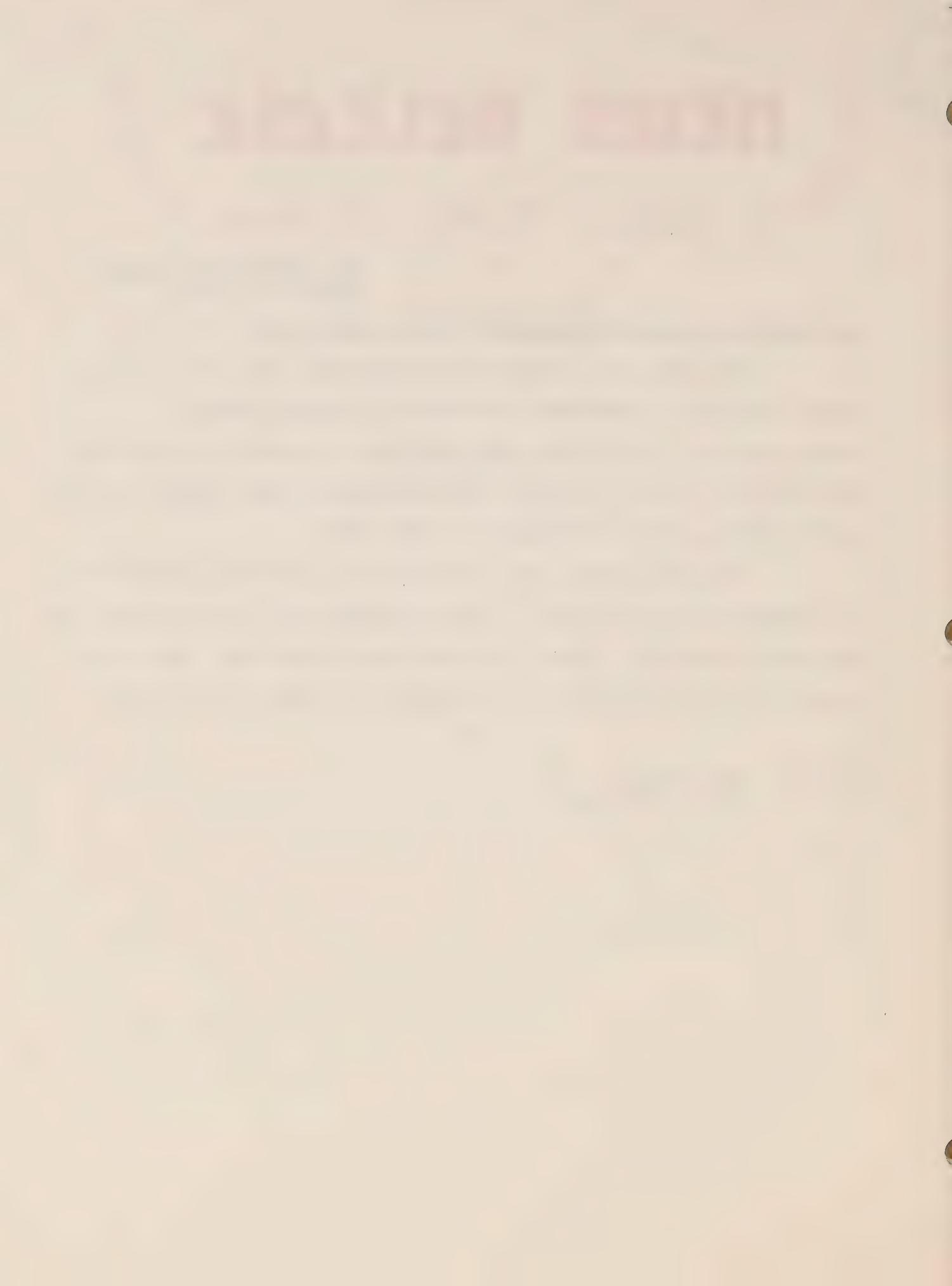
NEB APPROVES WESTCOAST MAINLINE LOOPING APPLICATION

The National Energy Board announced today that it has issued an order to Westcoast Transmission Company Limited authorizing the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in British Columbia. The application was considered at a public hearing held in Vancouver in June 1980.

The facilities, five 914.4-mm O.D. pipeline loops with a total approximate length of 37 km, are scheduled to be installed on Westcoast's existing 762-mm O.D. mainline system later this year. Capital cost of the project is estimated at about \$21.5 million.

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NEB ISSUES TARIFF ORDER TO TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED

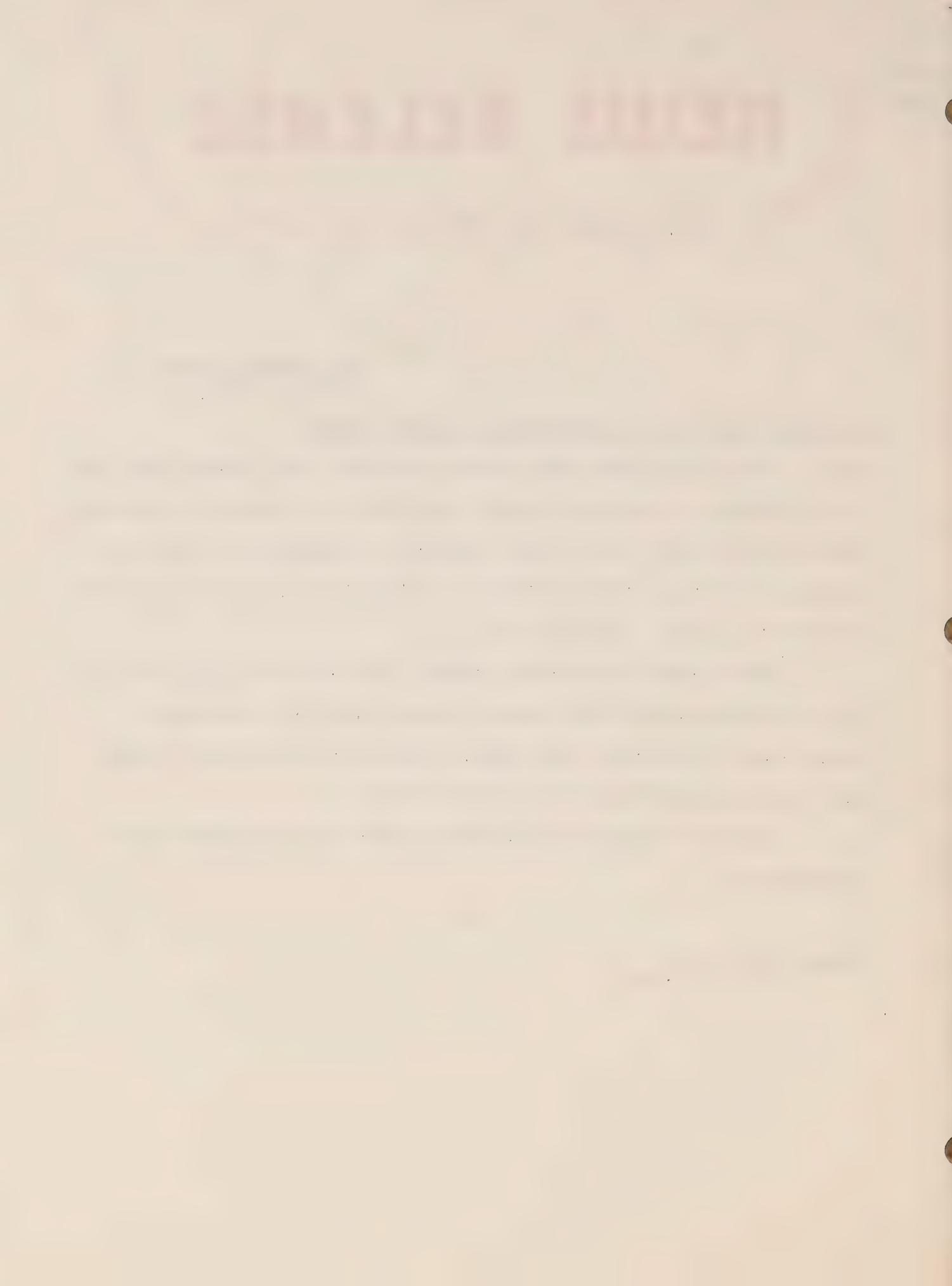
Ottawa - The National Energy Board issued today Tariff Order TG-4-80 under Part IV of the NEB Act, setting out the rates and tolls to be charged by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for Canadian sales and pipeline transportation, effective 1 September 1980. These rates and tolls are the result of a decision on a public hearing held in Ottawa in May and June.

The new rates are based on a Toronto city gate price of 242.328 cents per GJ (\$2.60 per million Btu) announced earlier today by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. The imputed Alberta border price will increase from 154.106 cents per GJ to 179.408 cents per GJ.

The Board's Reasons for Decision on these tolls and tariffs will be issued shortly.

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NEB SCHEDULES DATES & LOCATIONS FOR ALL-ENERGY HEARING

Ottawa - The National Energy Board issued today a Procedural Order which includes the dates and locations of its all-energy inquiry.

The hearing will deal with the supply of oil, natural gas and other forms of energy in relation to the domestic demand for all forms of energy, and the supply/demand balances for hydrocarbons and electricity.

The decided-upon dates and locations are as follows:

1. National Energy Board Hearing Room,
9th Floor,
473 Albert Street,
Ottawa, Ontario

Tuesday, 4 November 1980
9:00 a.m.
 2. Sheraton Room,
Sheraton Landmark Hotel,
1400 Robson Street,
Vancouver, British Columbia

Wednesday, 19 November 1980
9:00 a.m.
 3. Palliser Room,
Palliser Hotel,
9th Avenue and 1st Street,
Calgary, Alberta

Monday, 24 November 1980
9:00 a.m.
 4. Fort William Room,
Hotel Newfoundland,
P.O. Box 5637,
Cavendish Square,
St. John's, Newfoundland

Monday, 8 December 1980
9:00 a.m.

5. Baronet Room,
Chateau Halifax,
1990 Barrington Street,
Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Wednesday, 10 December 1980
9:00 a.m.
6. Porte St-Louis Room,
Hilton International Québec,
3 Place Québec,
Québec City, P.Q.
- Friday, 12 December 1980
9:00 a.m.

The inquiry will resume in Ottawa in the new year at a date and time
to be announced.

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NEB TO HEAR PORTION OF IPL OIL PIPELINE APPLICATION IN YELLOWKNIFE

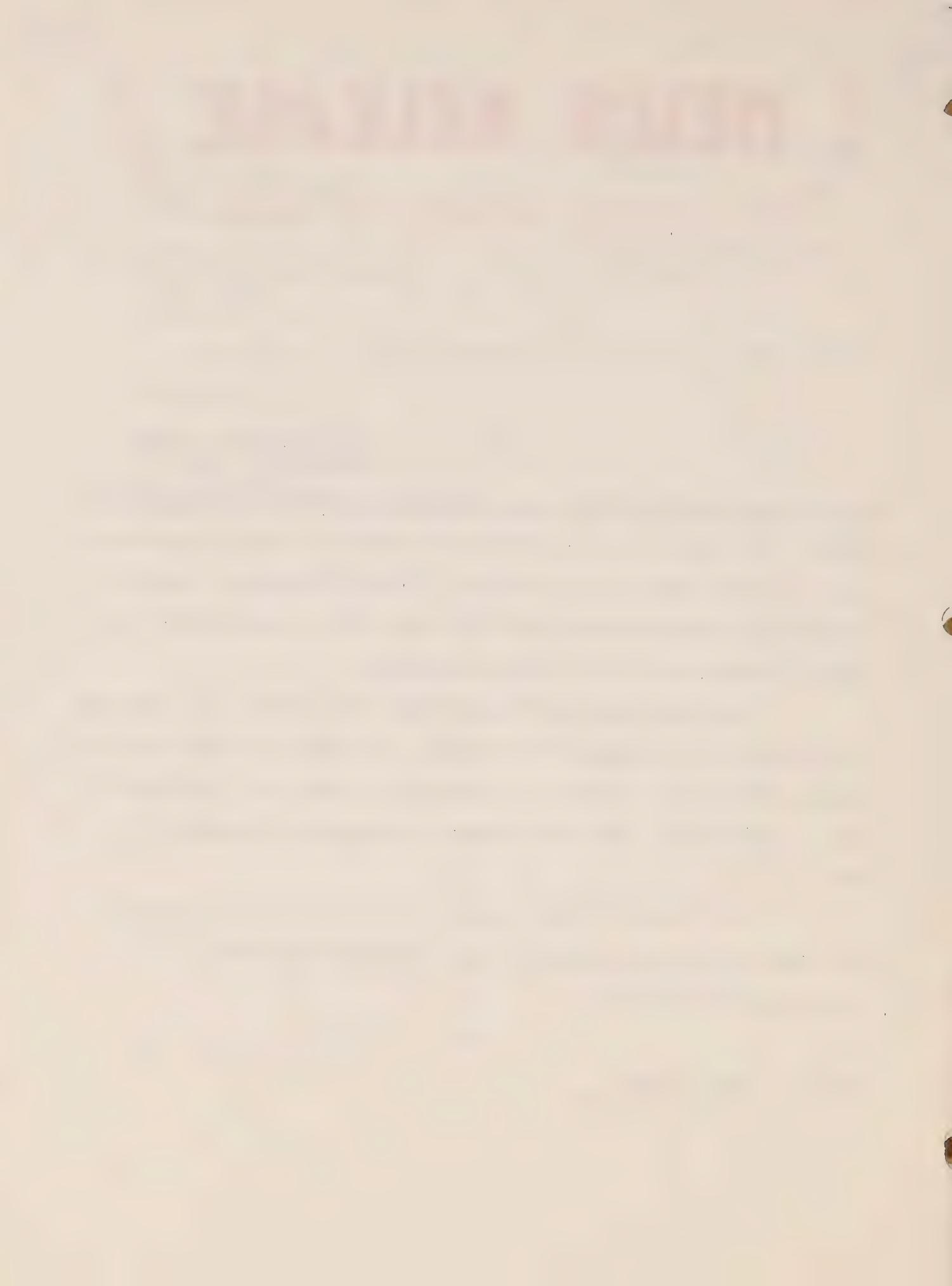
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board, on August 6, 1980, announced a public hearing starting on October 7, 1980 in Edmonton, Alberta concerning Interprovincial Pipe Line (NW) Ltd.'s application for a proposed Norman Wells oil pipeline project.

The Board announced today that the hearing will continue in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, at 9:00 a.m. local time, on Monday, October 20, 1980, in the Katimavik Room B of the Explorer Hotel, Yellowknife, and will resume in Edmonton on October 27, 1980.

The portion of the hearing to be heard in Yellowknife will deal mainly with right-of-way, socio-economic and environmental matters.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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2 September, 1980

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - SEPTEMBER, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of September, 1980, and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

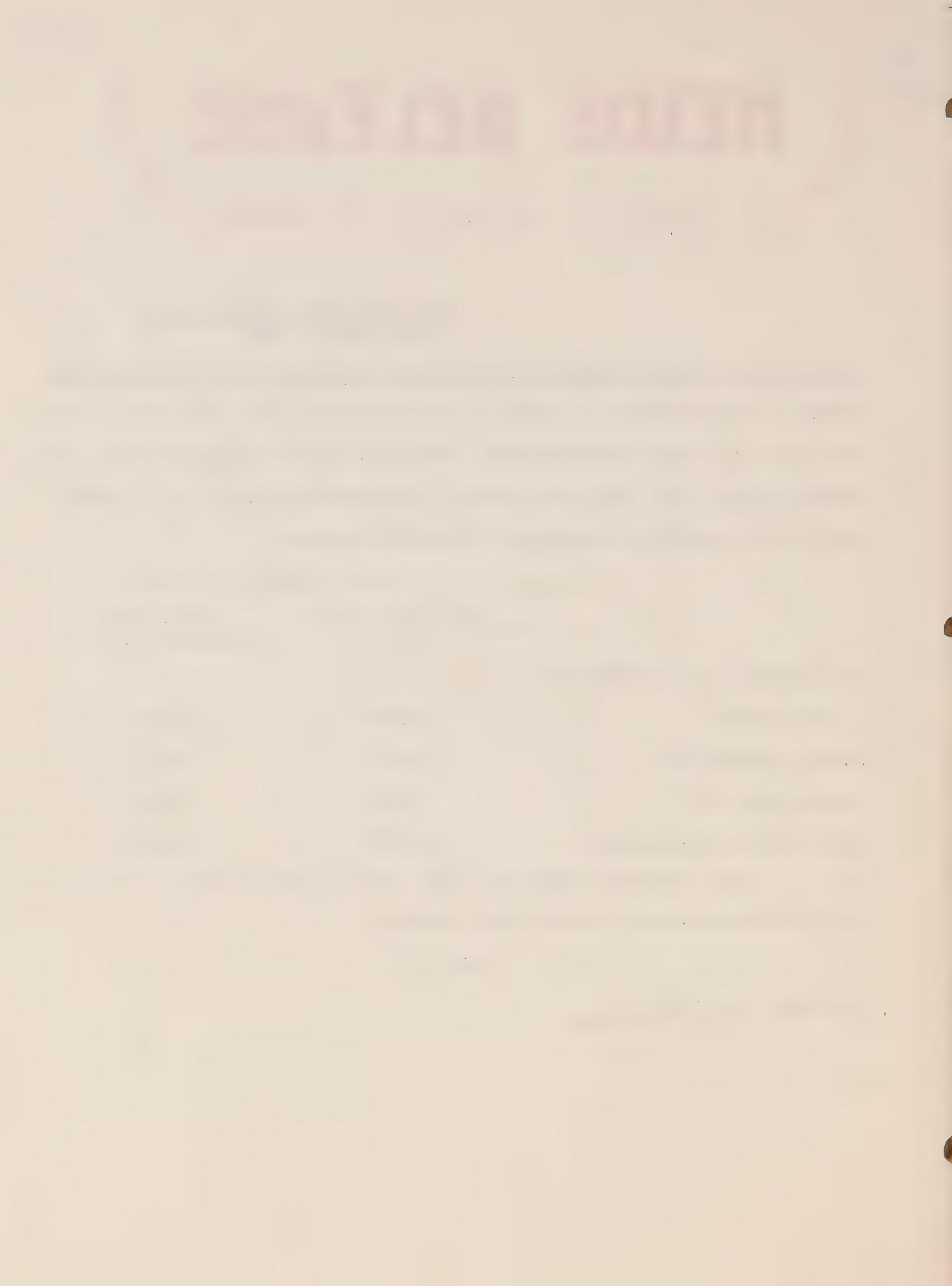
\$/m³

	Previous level	Level for September 1980
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	140.05	136.90
Middle Distillate	125.25	125.25
Heavy Fuel Oil	64.20	61.05
Partially Processed Oil	125.25	112.65

The Minister indicated that these export charges reflect price conditions in relevant oil markets.

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2 September 1980

SEPTEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of September, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oils and condensate, a decrease from \$181.00 a cubic metre to \$168.40 a cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, Viking-Kinsella and Wainwright-type blends, a decrease from \$131.85 a cubic metre to \$119.25 a cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy oils, a decrease from \$135.00 a cubic metre to \$122.40 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the new export charges take account of the recent Canadian wheelhead price increase.

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8 September 1980

NEB ISSUES REASONS FOR DECISION IN TRANSCANADA RATES & TOLLS APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board issued today its Reasons for Decision on the application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for new rates and tolls. The application was the subject of a public hearing held in Ottawa from May 27 to June 23, 1980.

The implementation of new rates coincides with the increase in the Toronto reference price for Alberta natural gas from 214.367 cents a gigajoule (230¢/MMBtu) to 242.328¢/GJ (260¢/MMBtu). The imputed Alberta border price will rise from the existing 154.106¢/GJ to the authorized 179.408¢/GJ.

The Board allowed TransCanada a rate of return on rate base of 11.10 percent compared to the 10.90 percent previously authorized. This rate of return is based on a deemed capital structure with a 30 percent common equity component. The Board allowed a 15 percent return on the deemed common equity.

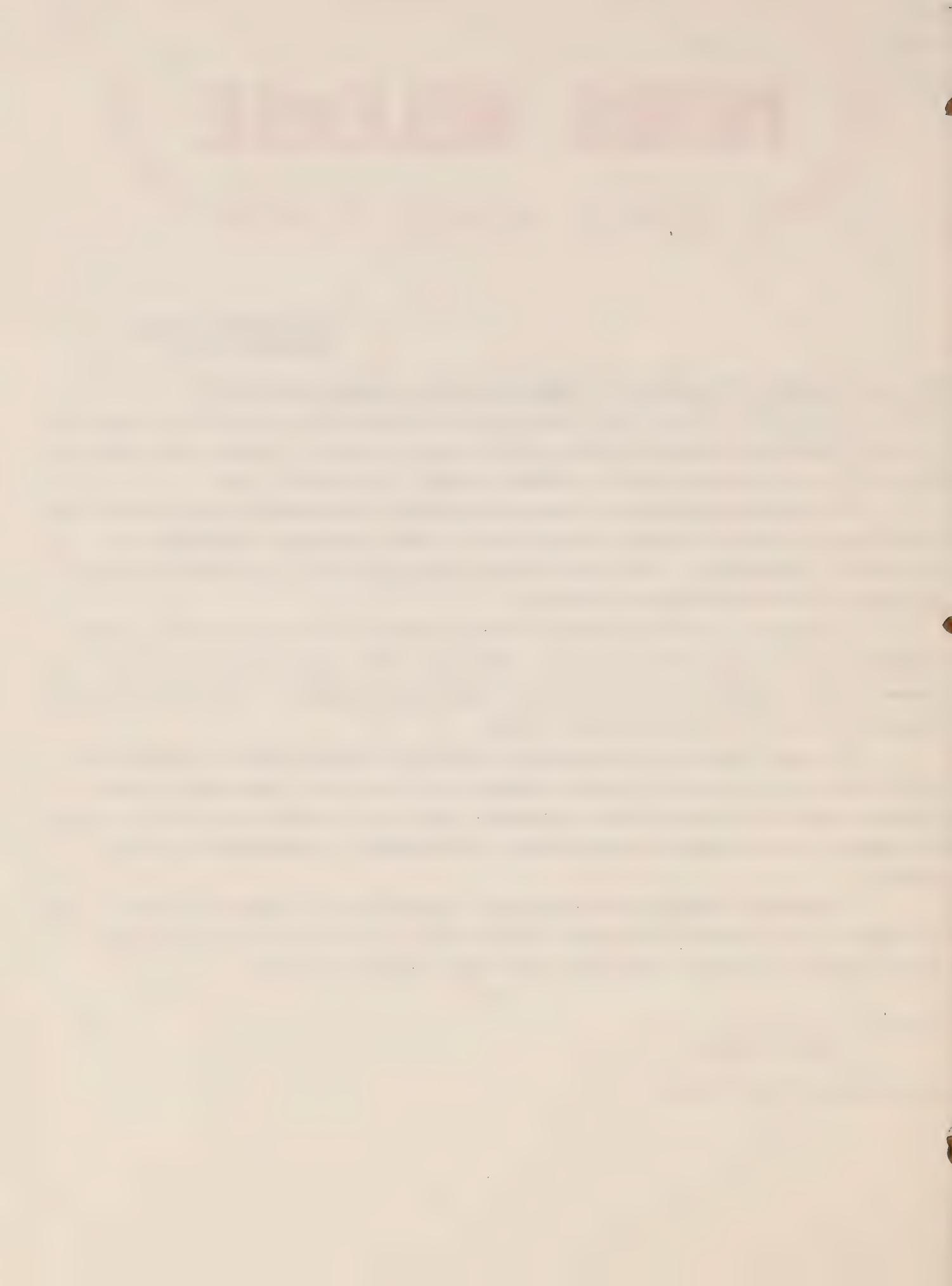
The Board maintained TransCanada on normalized income taxes and excluded from the calculation of taxes the interest expenses for "non-utility" operations and the Canadian exploration and development expenses. There was a dissenting opinion concerning the method of calculating the income taxes to be included in TransCanada's cost of service.

TransCanada requested Board approval to modify its rate design for sales of gas in Canada to hold constant the present differentials in CD rates at 100 percent load factor between the various rate zones. The Board denied this request.

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NEB TO HEAR TRANS MOUNTAIN TOLLS & TARIFFS APPLICATION

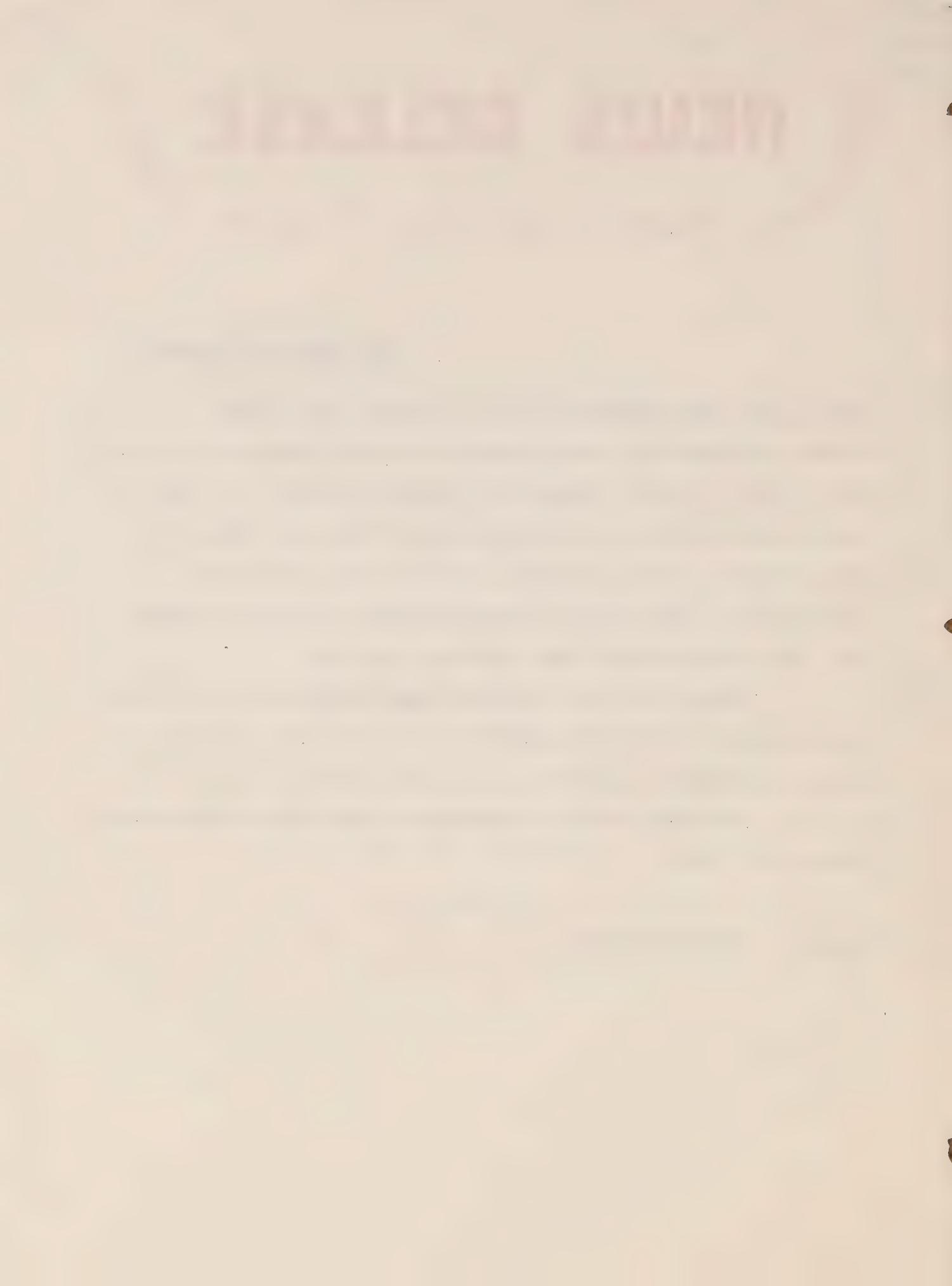
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing Tuesday, October 28, 1980, in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time concerning an application by Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company Ltd. for orders setting down tolls and tariffs.

Trans Mountain is seeking Board approval of the tolls to be charged for the transportation of crude oil and other liquid hydrocarbons through its pipeline system.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Friday, October 10, 1980.

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September 26, 1980.

NEB GRANTS HYDRO-QUEBEC THREE POWER & ENERGY EXPORT LICENCES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that, following a public hearing in Montreal, it has approved an application by Hydro-Québec for three licences to export firm and interruptible power and energy to Vermont.

The first licence is for firm power and energy to Citizens Utilities Company for five years commencing on January 1, 1981, in quantities which will increase annually from 32 MW (megawatts) in the first year to 46 MW in the last.

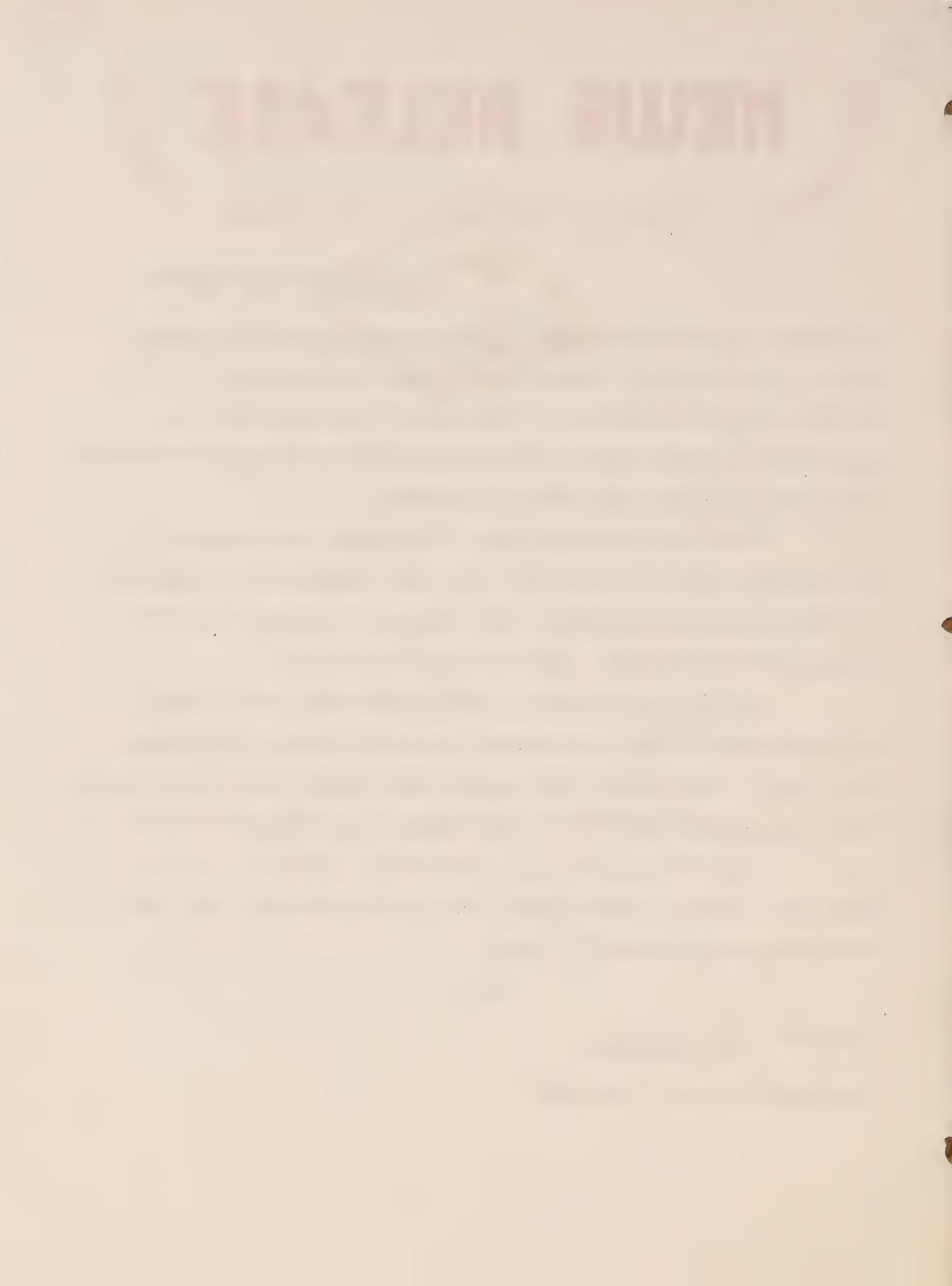
The second licence is for up to 80 MW and 525 GW.h (gigawatthours) a year of assured secondary energy to Citizens Utilities - less actual firm exports made under the first licence - for four years and nine months, commencing January 1, 1981.

The third is for up to 52 MW and 320 GW.h a year of power and energy to the Vermont Public Service Board for five years beginning October 1, 1980.

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OCTOBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

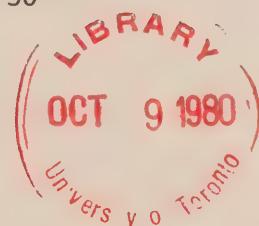
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of October, 1980, and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oil and condensate, \$168.40 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends, a decrease from \$119.25 per cubic metre to \$106.65 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy crude oils, a decrease from \$122.40 per cubic metre to \$116.10 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the decreases in the export charges for heavy crudes should assist Canadian producers facing a sluggish demand for this type of crude in world markets. The higher reduction applicable to Lloydminster-type blends affords an additional incentive to further assist in the marketing of this crude, which is predominantly supplied from the Lloydminster area. Mr. Lalonde stressed the importance he attached to maintenance of production from the Lloydminster pools where the wells are particularly sensitive to production curtailment. For this reason, the Minister said that he was also proposing that the difference of \$9.45 a cubic metre (\$1.50 a barrel) between the two classes of heavy crude should not be reduced during the rest of the year.

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COCHIN PIPE LINES LTD. - TOLLS AND TARIFFS

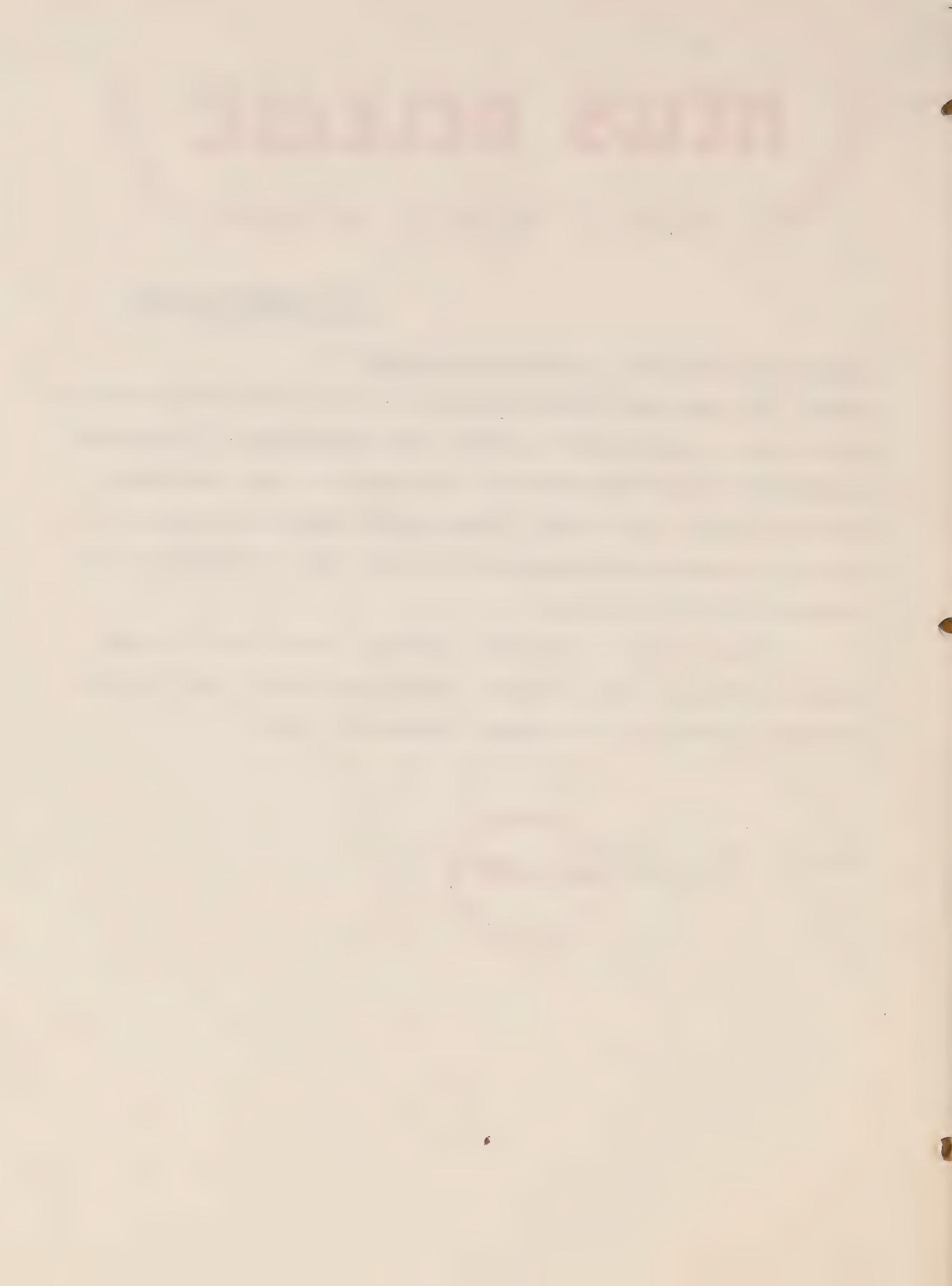
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board by its Order Number PO-1-RH-5-80 states that it has decided to accept the methodology of regulation proposed by Cochin Pipe Lines Ltd. in Phase I of its application for higher tolls and tariffs. This was the subject of a public hearing in Ottawa from September 23 to 25, 1980. The Reasons for Decision will follow shortly.

Phase II of the hearing, which will deal with all other matters relating to the tolls and tariffs of Cochin, will commence in Ottawa at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, October 20, 1980.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - OCTOBER, 1980

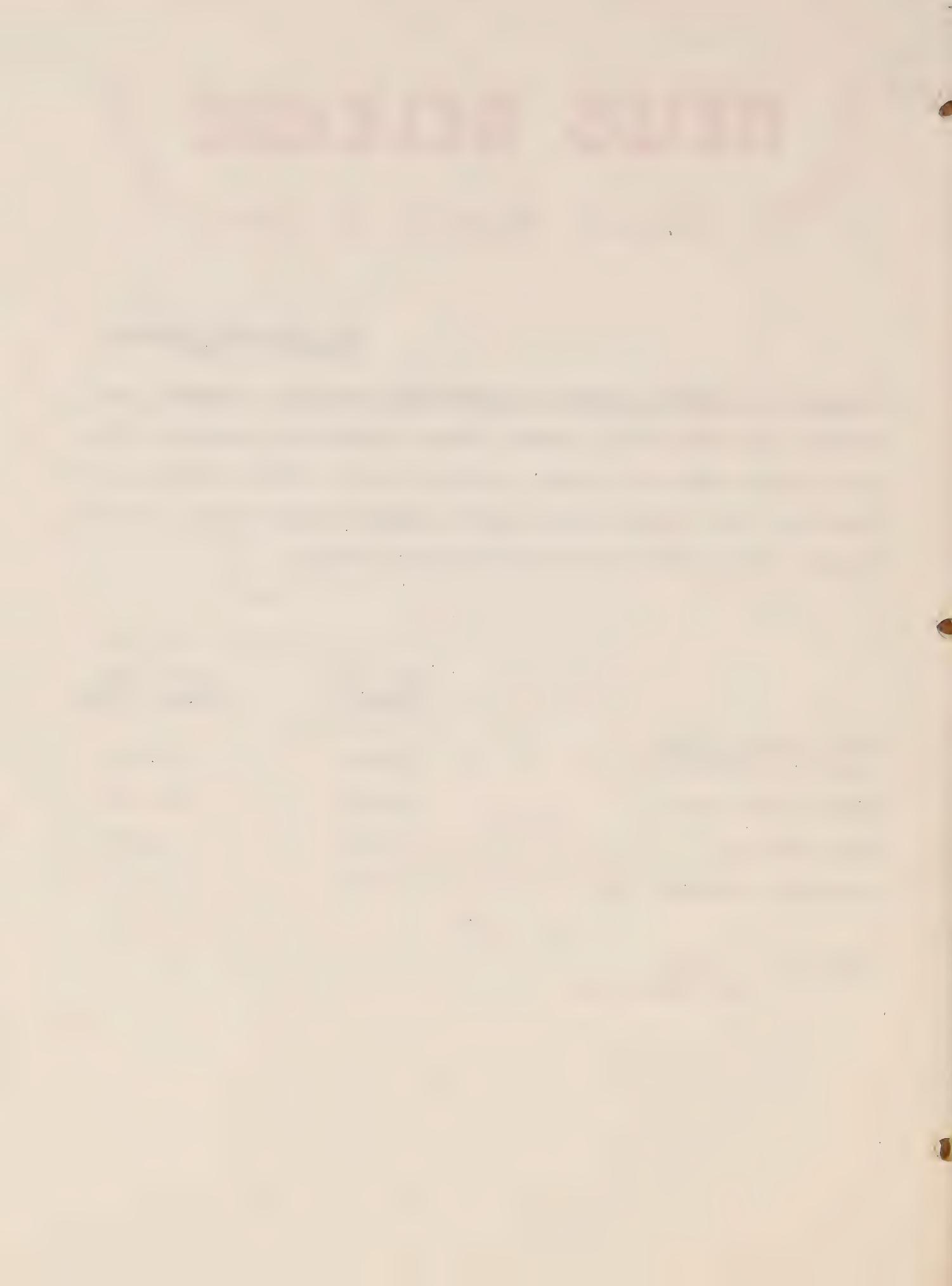
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines & Resources announced today that for the month of October, 1980 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for October, 1980</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	136.90	124.30
middle distillate	125.25	121.45
heavy fuel oil	61.05	61.05
partially processed oil	112.65	121.45

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UNION GAS LIMITED - EXPORT LICENCE

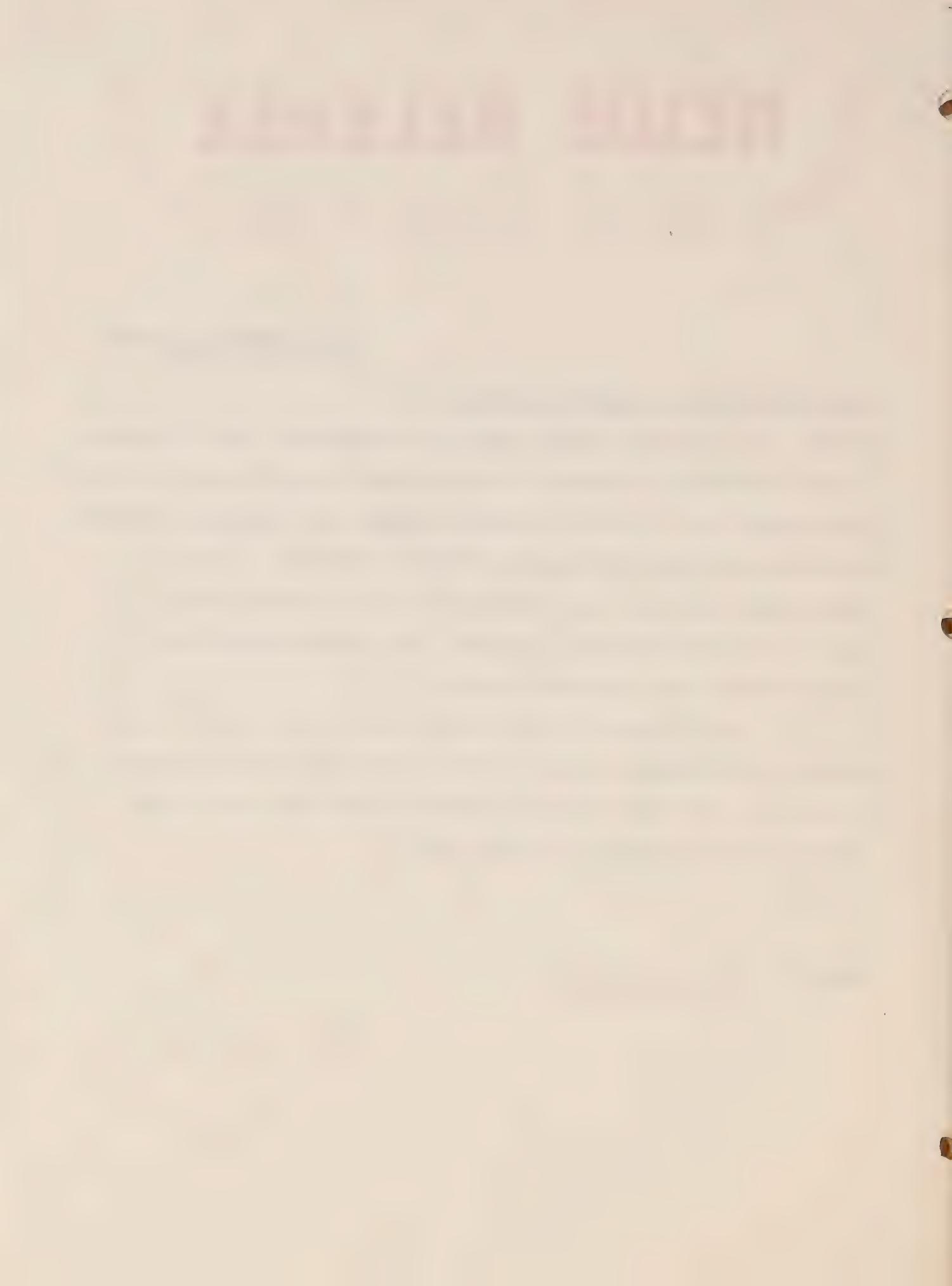
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that, following a public hearing in Ottawa, it has approved an application by Union Gas Limited for a licence to export methane-rich synthetic natural gas purchased from its supplier, Petrosar Limited, to Trans-continental Gas Pipe Line Corporation of the United States, at a place on the international boundary line between Canada and the United States near Windsor, Ontario.

The licence is for a daily volume of 1 100 000 cubic metres and an average annual volume of 284 000 000 cubic metres, to a total of 1 420 000 000 cubic metres during the term of this licence, which ends on 31 October 1985.

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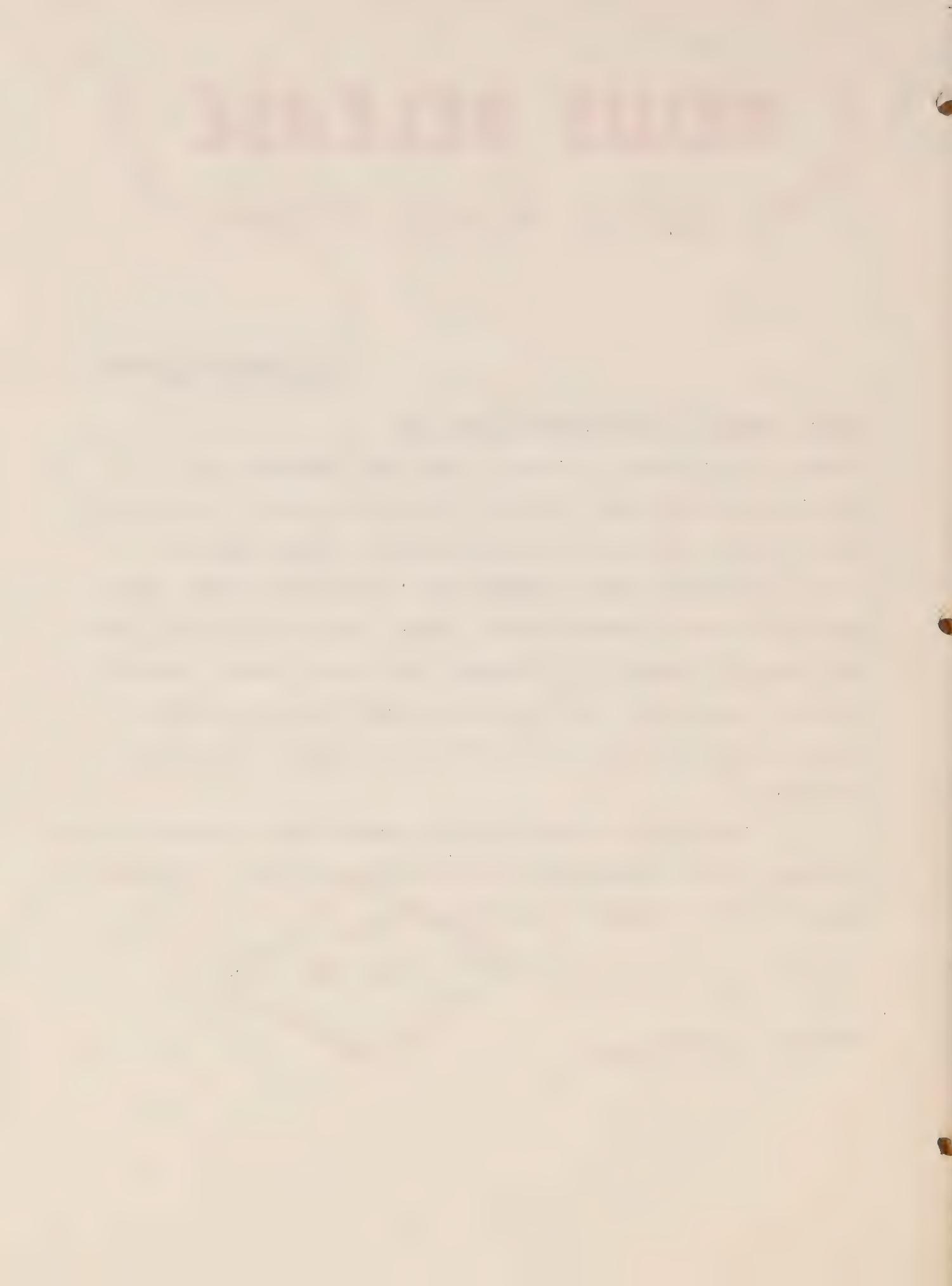
EXPORT CHARGES - LLOYDMINSTER CRUDE OIL

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Marc Lalonde announced today his proposal to increase the difference between the existing export charge applying to the Lloydminster-type category and the existing export charge applying to other domestic heavy crudes. Under this action, during the months of November and December the current export charge of \$106.65 a cubic metre on Lloydminster-type crude oils would be further reduced by \$3.75 (about 60 cents a barrel) to \$102.90 a cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the measure was intended to help producers in the Lloydminster area to take advantage of available outlets in U.S. markets in coming weeks.

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22 October, 1980

ARCTIC PILOT PROJECT INC. AND TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED FILE APPLICATION WITH NEB

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has received an application from Arctic Pilot Project Inc. for a licence under Part VI of the Act, to export natural gas from Canada. The Company is owned by Petro-Canada Exploration Inc., Nova, Dome Petroleum Limited and Melville Shipping Limited. The Applicant proposes to liquefy natural gas at Melville Island in the Canadian Arctic and to transport the liquid by ice-breaking LNG carriers to a receiving terminal to be located in Quebec or the Maritimes, for regasification and subsequent export to the United States. The requested licence is for the period 1 November 1983 to 31 December 2005 and would also include some exports of natural gas from conventional sources in Western Canada.

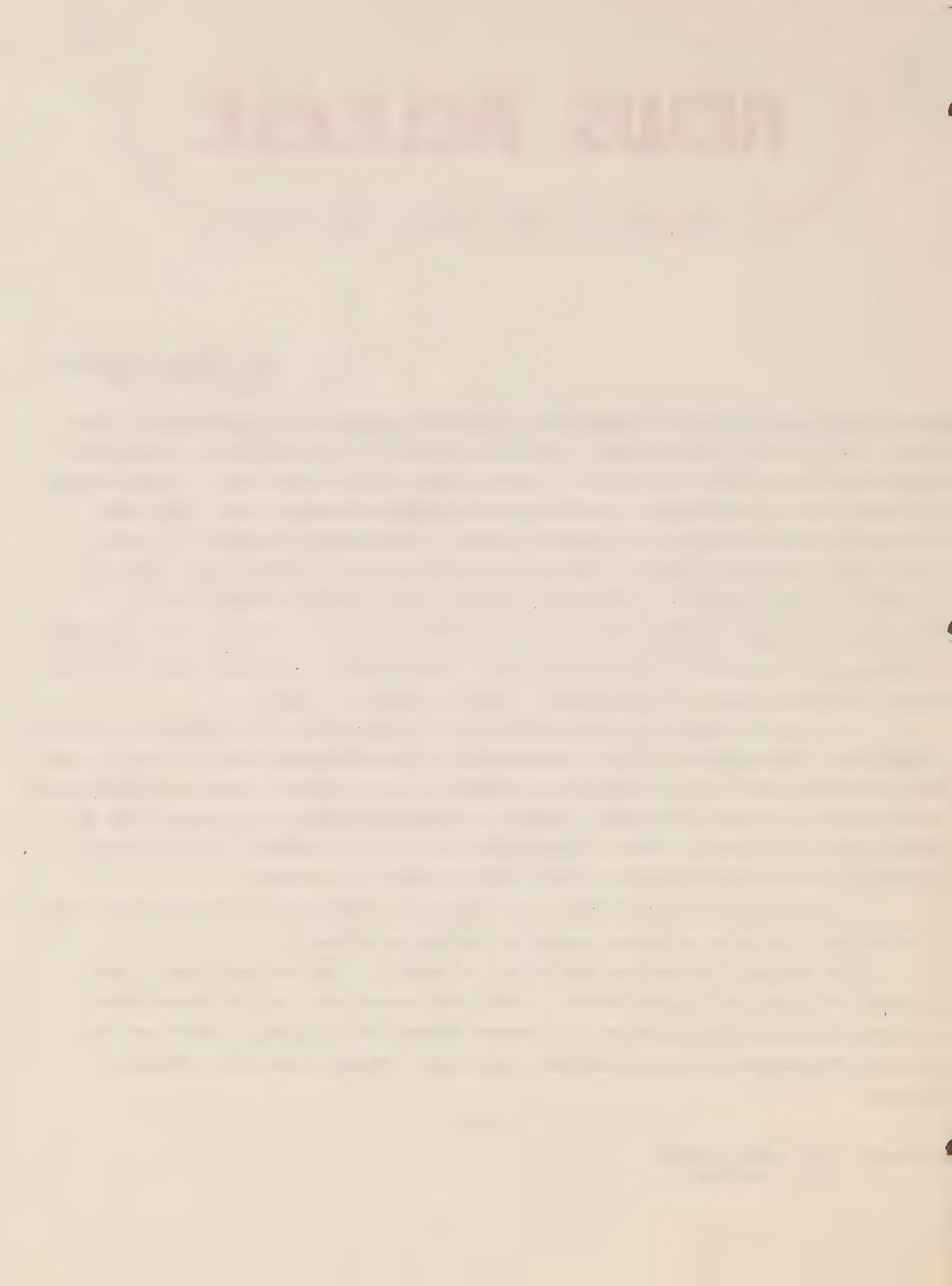
In a related action, the Board received an application from TransCanada PipeLines Limited for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity under Part III of the Act, for the construction of an LNG receiving terminal at Gros Cacouna, Quebec or Melford Point on the Strait of Canso, Nova Scotia, where the liquefied natural gas received from the Arctic would be unloaded, stored and regasified, prior to transmission by pipeline to TransCanada's Canadian customers, or for resale in the United States.

It is expected that the Board will hold public hearings on the applications sometime in 1981, including a general review of the entire project.

The two applications are available for viewing in the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, and respectively at the Petro-Canada Library, 8th Floor, Guiness House, 727 Seventh Avenue N.W., Calgary, Alberta and the office of TransCanada PipeLines Limited, 54th Floor, Commerce Court West, Toronto, Ontario.

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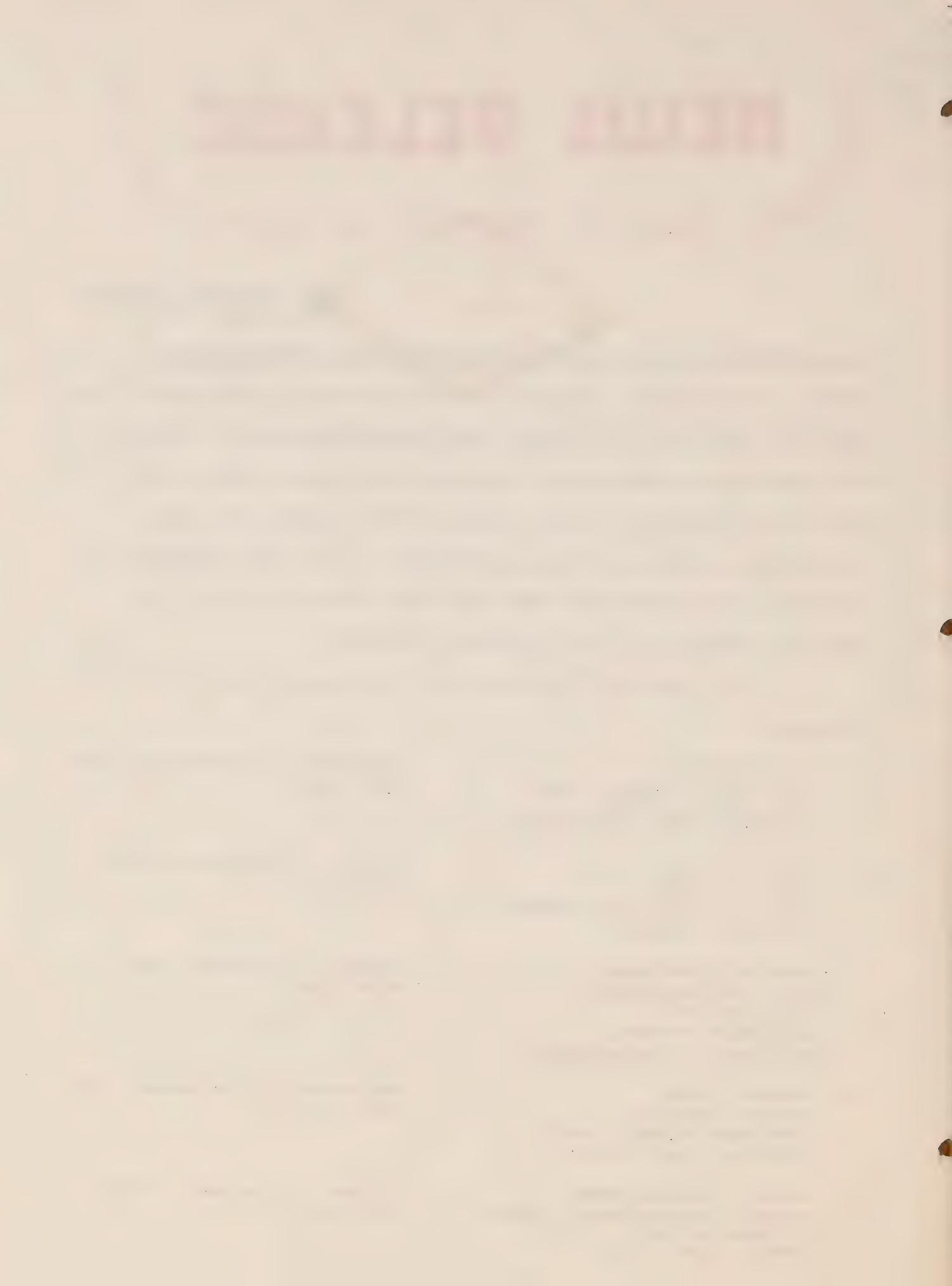
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NEB POSTPONES FOR TWO WEEKS THE START OF ALL-ENERGY HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has decided to postpone for two weeks the start of its energy supply/demand hearing in order to give parties an opportunity to assess the implications of the forthcoming national energy program. The hearing which was scheduled to start in Ottawa on November 4, will now commence in Vancouver on November 19, 1980, and the timing of all of the hearings outside of Ottawa remains unchanged.

The dates and locations for the hearing will now be as follows:

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| 1. | Sheraton Room,
Sheraton Landmark Hotel,
1400 Robson Street,
Vancouver, British Columbia | Wednesday, 19 November 1980
9:00 a.m. |
| 2. | Palliser Room
Palliser Hotel,
9th Avenue and 1st Street,
Calgary, Alberta | Monday, 24 November 1980
9:00 a.m. |
| 3. | Fort William Room,
Hotel Newfoundland,
P.O. Box 5637,
Cavendish Square,
St. John's, Newfoundland | Monday, 8 December 1980
9:00 a.m. |
| 4. | Baronet Room,
Chateau Halifax,
1990 Barrington Street,
Halifax, Nova Scotia | Wednesday, 10 December 1980
9:00 a.m. |
| 5. | Porte St-Louis Room,
Hilton International Québec,
3 Place Québec,
Québec City, P.Q. | Friday, 12 December 1980
9:00 a.m. |



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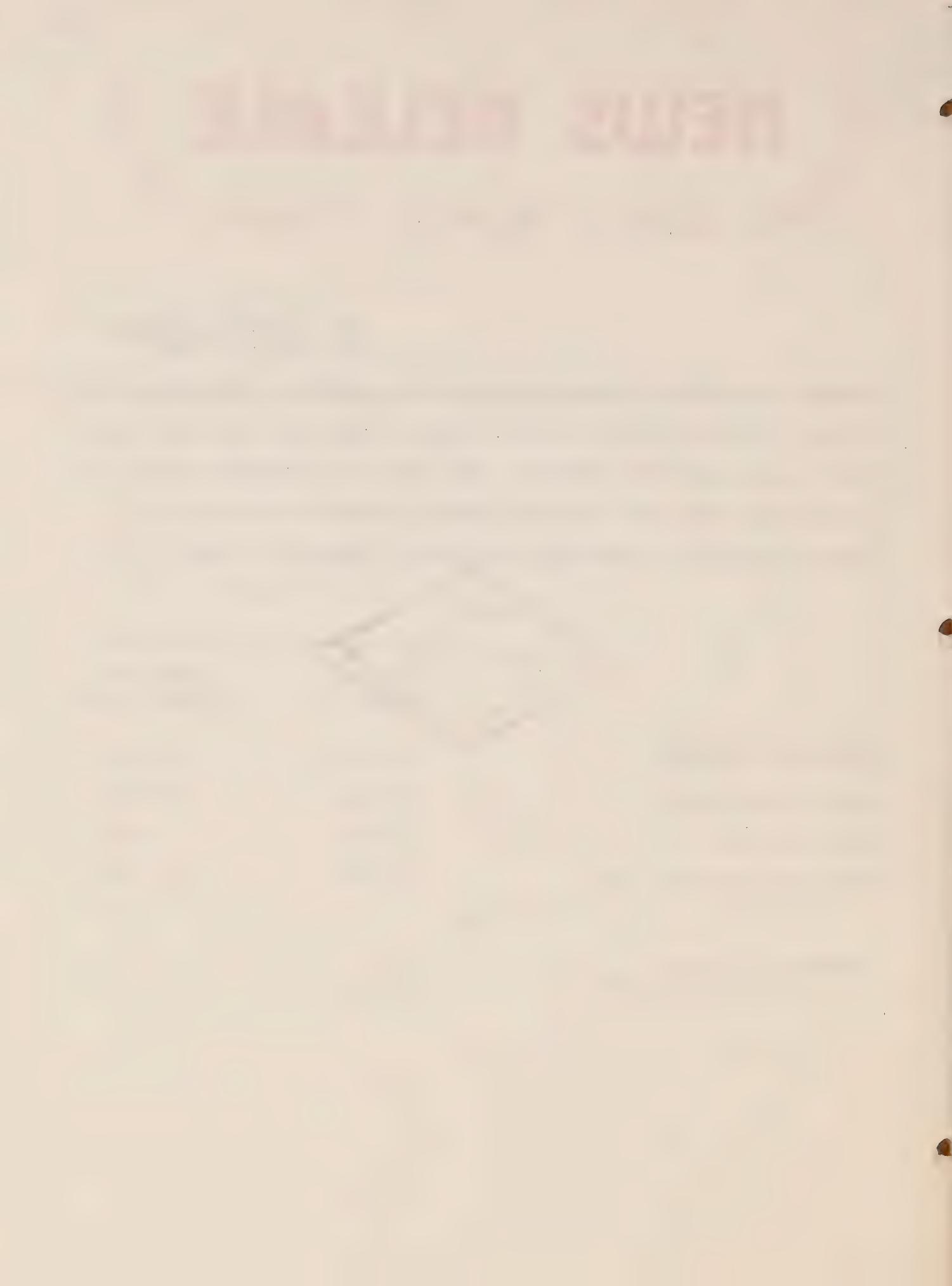
CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - NOVEMBER, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines & Resources announced today that for the month of November, 1980 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

	\$/ ³ m ³	<u>Level for November, 1980</u>
	★ <u>Previous Level</u>	
motor gasoline and gasoline components	124.30	129.30
middle distillate	121.45	124.60
heavy fuel oil	61.05	72.05
partially processed oil	121.45	121.45

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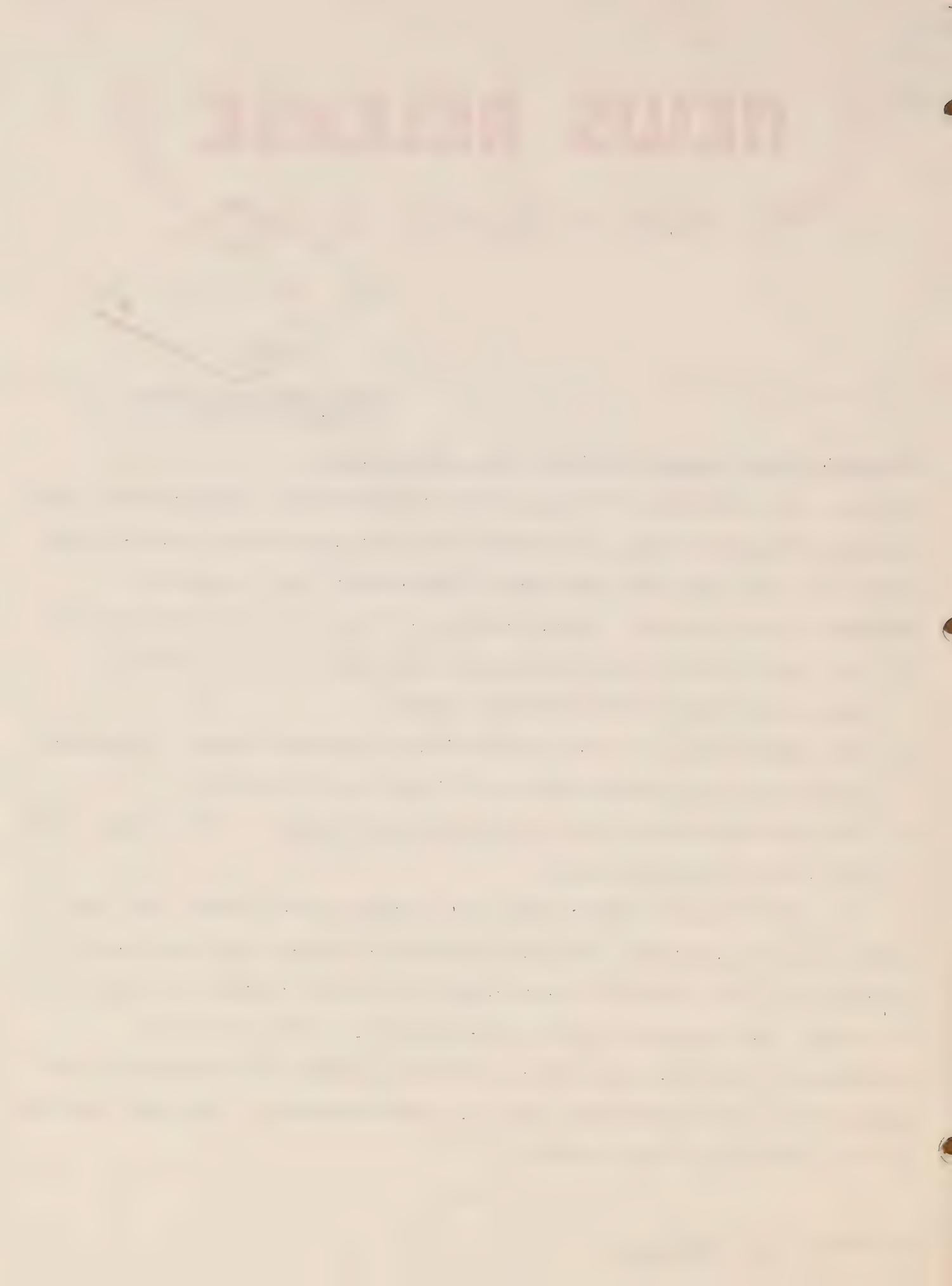
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31 October 1980

NOVEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of November, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oil and condensate, an increase from \$168.40 per cubic metre to \$174.50 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster, and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends, a decrease from \$106.65 per cubic metre to \$102.90 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy crude oils, no change in the current level of \$116.10 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the increase in the charge for light crude oil and condensate reflected changes in market conditions and a weakening of the Canadian dollar since the current charge was established for July. As explained earlier, the reduction in the charge of Lloydminster and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends was intended to help producers in the Lloydminster area to take advantage of available outlets in U.S. markets in coming weeks.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR RELEASE AT 4:00 P.M.
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NEB RELEASES COCHIN PIPE LINES LTD. TOLLS & TARIFF DECISION

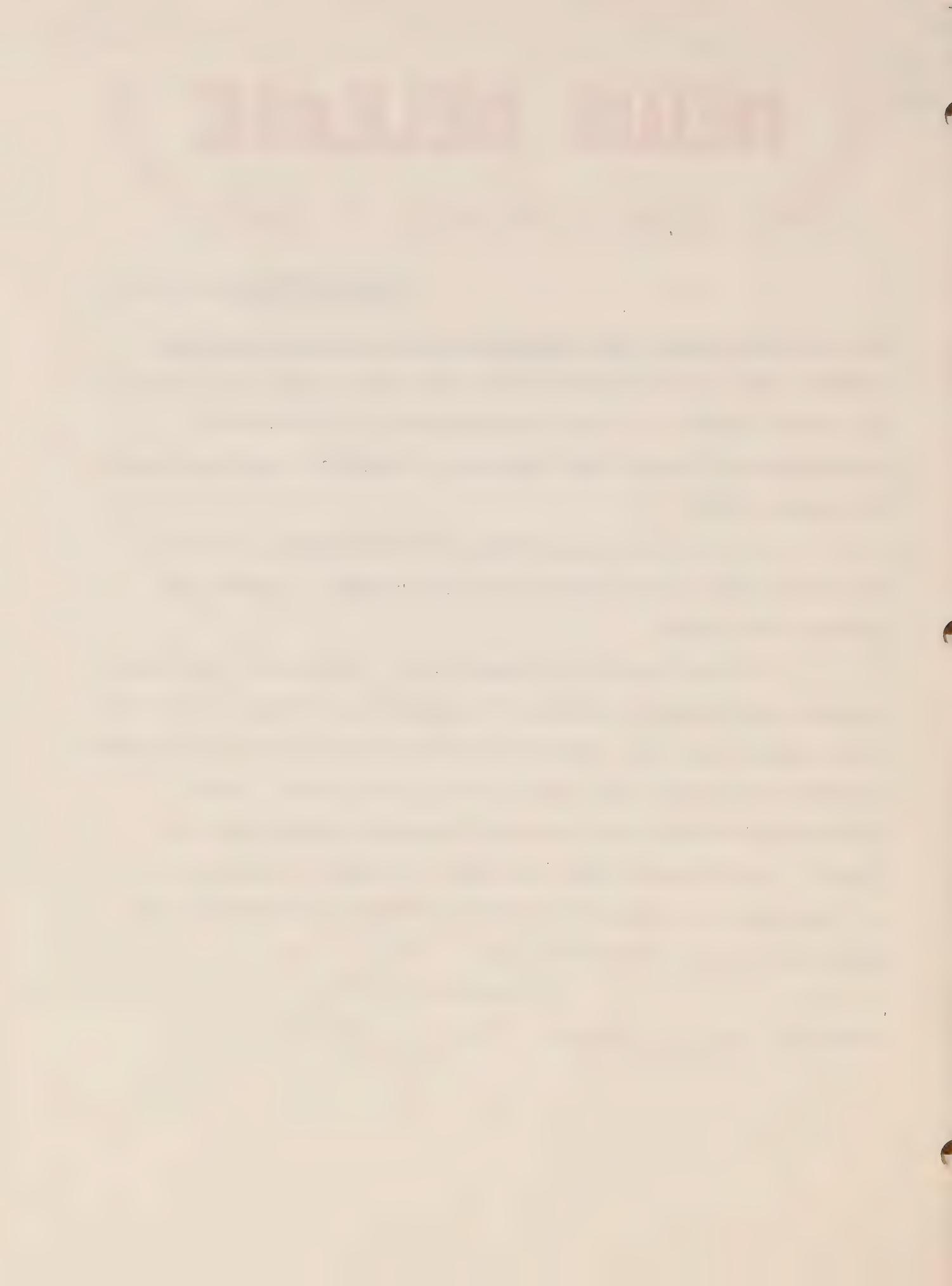
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its decision concerning Phase II of the hearing on the tolls and tariff application of Cochin Pipe Lines Ltd., which was held in Ottawa in October 1980.

In its Decision on Phase I of the hearing, held in September, the Board accepted the methodology of regulation proposed by Cochin.

In its Decision on Phase II of the hearing, the Board accepted the requested method of calculation of depreciation and amortization for rate-making purposes and the use of the proposed formula to determine the rate of return on equity. Minor reductions were made to the cost of service applied for by Cochin. The Decision also included a procedure to monitor and, if necessary, to adjust the tolls based on variation from the approved forecast throughput.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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December 2, 1980

TRANSCANADA APPLIES FOR NEW GAS EXPORT LICENCES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received an application from TransCanada PipeLines Limited for licences to export natural gas to Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company and Boundary Gas, Inc. in the United States.

Tennessee Gas, a division of Tenneco Inc., owns and operates a major interstate transmission pipeline system situated in 16 southern and eastern states and interconnected with TransCanada's pipeline system at the United States/Canada border near Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Boundary Gas is a corporation incorporated on behalf of 14 United States gas companies for purposes of contracting for additional supplies of gas for resale to member companies, which include The Brooklyn Union Gas Company, Consolidated Edison Company of New York Inc., Long Island Lighting Company and Bay State Gas Company.

TransCanada proposes to export up to 5158.53 million cubic metres of natural gas to Tennessee Gas over a five-year period starting 1 November 1981 and up to 19 086.45 million cubic metres to Boundary Gas over a ten-year period also starting 1 November 1981. The maximum rates of delivery would be 2832.8 thousand cubic metres per day to Tennessee Gas and 5240.65 to Boundary Gas.

The gas to be exported would be shipped by TransCanada from Alberta to Niagara Falls. The gas for sale to Boundary Gas would then be transported through the pipeline system of Tennessee Gas for delivery to the Boundary Gas sponsoring companies. TransCanada and Tennessee Gas would both require additions to their existing pipeline systems to transport the Boundary Gas export. TransCanada intends to file a separate application with the Board for the required additional facilities in Canada.

It is expected that the Board will hold a public hearing on the export application some time in 1981.

The application is available for viewing at the National Energy Board Library, 9th Floor, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, or at the offices of the Board, Government of Canada Building, 220 4th Avenue South East, Calgary, Alberta, or at the offices of TransCanada PipeLines Limited, 54th Floor, Commerce Court West, Toronto, Ontario.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**
5 December 1980.**DECEMBER EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT**

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of December, 1980 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oil and condensate, an increase from \$174.50 per cubic metre to \$180.80 per cubic metre.
2. For designated heavy crude oils other than Lloydminster-type blends an increase from \$116.10 per cubic metre to \$122.40 per cubic metre. (The charge proposed for December exports of Lloydminster and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends at \$102.90 per cubic metre was announced on 16 October, 1980).

The Minister stated that the increase in the charge for light crude oil and condensate and for 'other designated heavy crude oil' reflects the weakening of the Canadian dollar and changes in market conditions.

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8 December 1980

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - DECEMBER, 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of December, 1980 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

	<u>\$/m³</u>	
	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for December, 1980</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	129.30	129.00
middle distillate	124.60	127.75
heavy fuel oil	72.05	84.65
partially processed oil	121.45	117.35

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA,

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 8, 1980.

NEB RESCHEDULES SESSIONS OF ALL-ENERGY HEARING

OTTAWA - Because of weather conditions, the National Energy Board was unable to hold the session of the Energy Supply/Demand Inquiry which was scheduled to start in St. John's Newfoundland on Monday, 8 December 1980. The Newfoundland session has been rescheduled for Tuesday, 6 January 1981 and the Ottawa sitting, which was planned for then, is postponed until Monday, 12 January 1981. This postponement of the Ottawa session will afford parties additional time to assess the supplementary submissions which are to be filed by 30 December 1980. These submissions are in response to the Board's invitation to have parties of record either amend their submissions or assess the effects of the National Energy Program on forecasts of Canadian supply and demand.

The dates and locations for the hearing will now be as follows:

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| 1. Baronet Room,
Chateau Halifax,
1990 Barrington Street,
Halifax, Nova Scotia. | Wednesday, 10 December 1980
9:00 a.m. |
| 2. Porte St-Louis Room,
Hilton International Quebec,
3 Place Québec,
Québec City, P.Q. | Friday, 12 December 1980
9:00 a.m. |

3. Fort William Room,
Hotel Newfoundland,
P.O. Box 5637,
Cavendish Square,
St. John's, Newfoundland.
4. National Energy Board,
Hearing Room,
9th Floor,
473 Albert Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.
- Tuesday, 6 January 1981
9:00 a.m.
- Monday, 12 January 1981
9:00 a.m.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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11 December 1980.

NEB OUTLINES EXPORT CONTROL OF INTERNATIONAL BUNKER SUPPLIES

OTTAWA - Further to the federal government's announcement of 28 October 1980, the National Energy Board today issued an outline of its proposed procedures for the implementation of export controls and export charges on aviation and marine bunker fuel used by foreign flag carriers and by domestic carriers engaged in international commerce. The Board has indicated that it would welcome comments from interested parties on this outline.

Under the authority of the National Energy Board Act, the Board will be responsible for issuing the requisite export licences and, under Part I of the Petroleum Administration Act, will be responsible for administering the collection of export charges.

The Board is considering a basic system of quarterly licences.

Persons requiring export licences for bunker fuel will be:

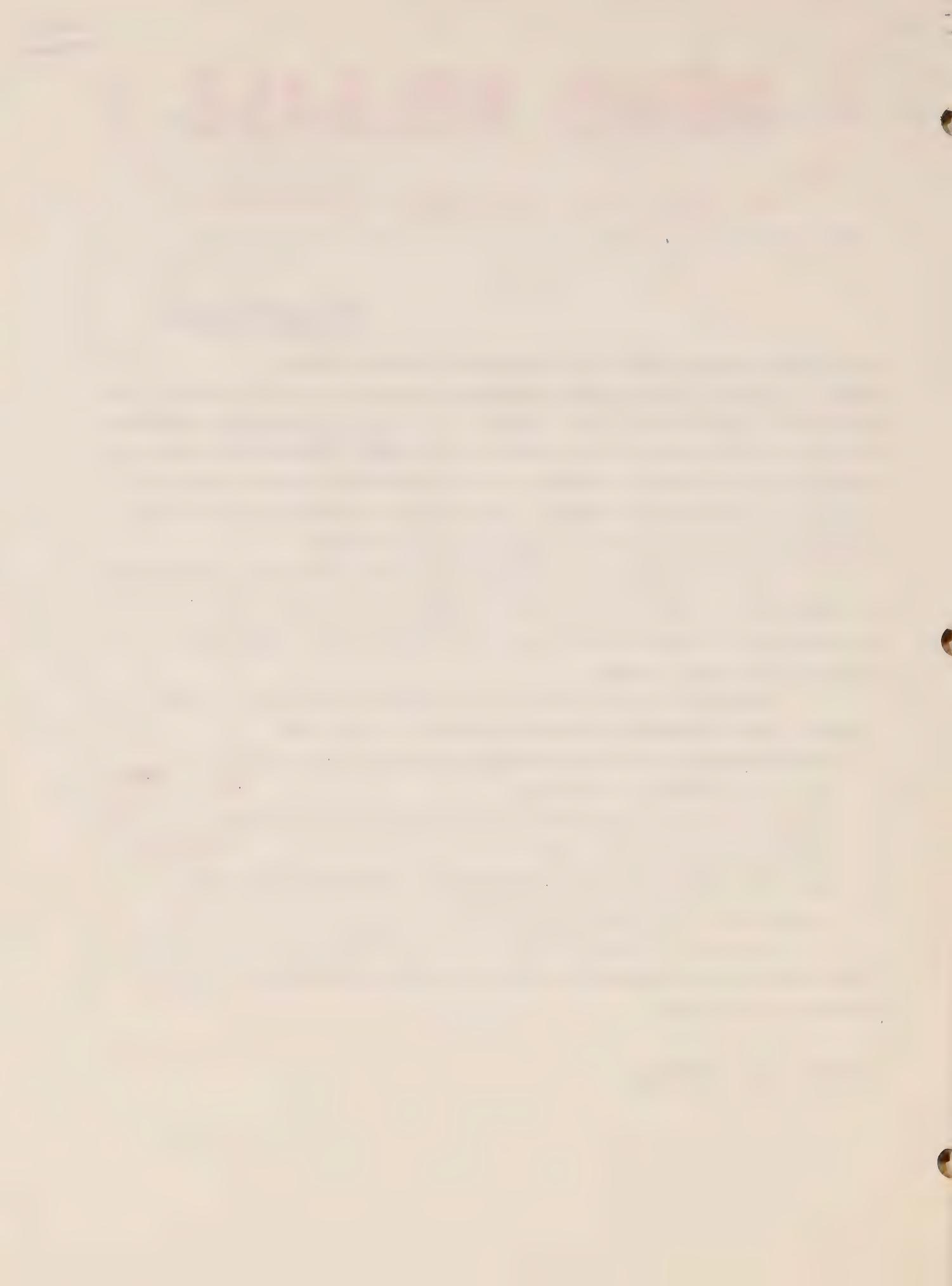
- refiners/terminal operators engaged in selling fuel to foreign airlines and foreign flag ships,
- domestic airlines and domestic shipping companies engaged in international commerce, and
- any other person providing bunker fuel to aircraft or ships for consumption in international commerce.

Copies of the Board's outline on the proposed implementation of export controls on international bunker supplies are available from the Secretary of the Board.

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NEB RELEASES TRANS MOUNTAIN TOLLS & TARIFFS DECISION

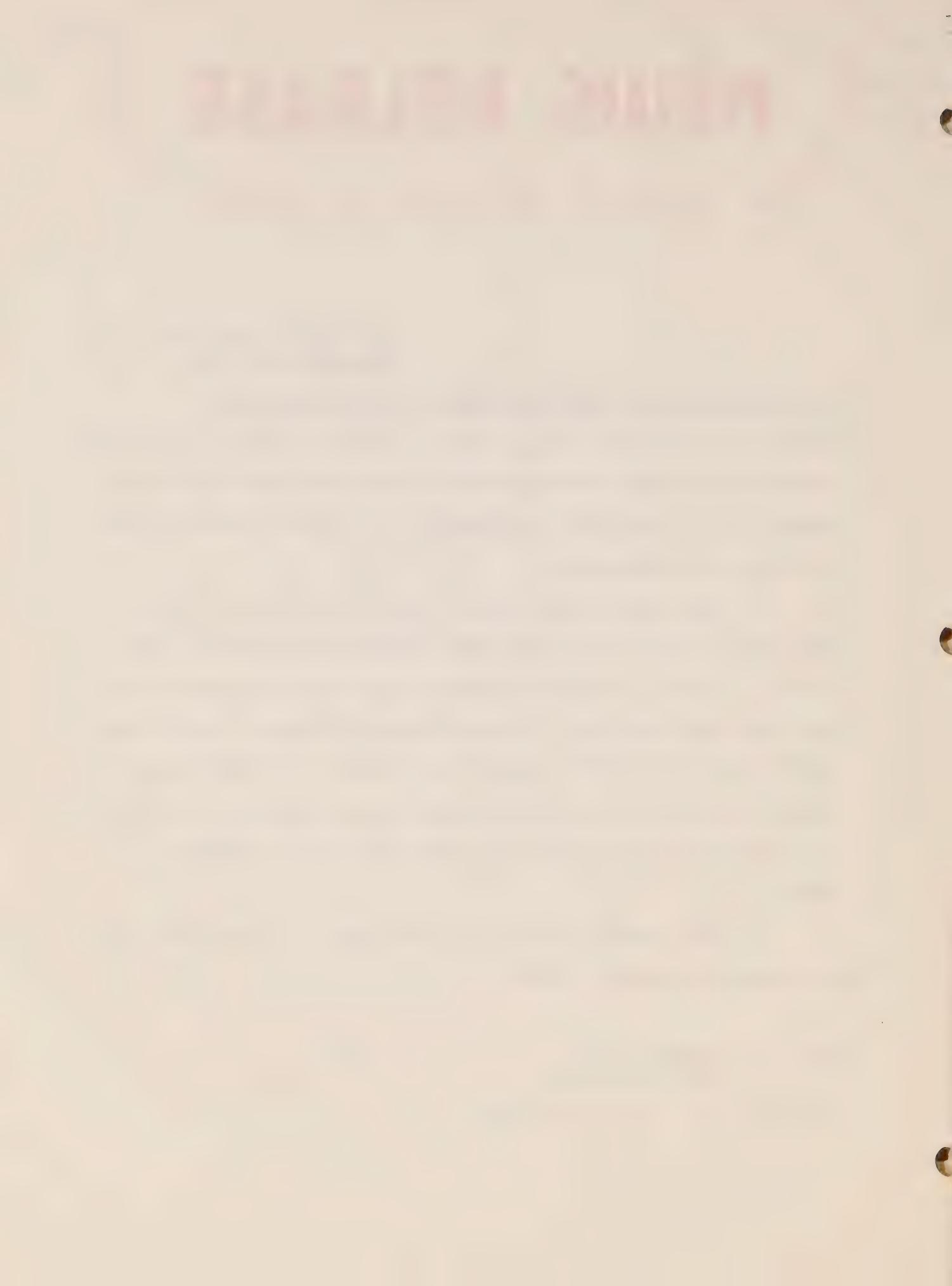
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today its decision concerning the tolls and tariffs of Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company Ltd., which were the subject of a public hearing held in Ottawa this November.

The Company had applied for the approval of tolls that would, in the test year 1981, produce revenues of \$36.0 million, 22.9% in excess of those which would be generated by the tolls now in effect. The new tolls authorized by the Board under Order TO-6-80 will begin on 1 January 1981 and will result in revenues of \$31.8 million for the test year, which is an increase of 8.5% over those generated by the existing tolls.

The Board's Reasons for Decision in this matter will be issued in January, 1981.

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FOR RELEASE AT 4:00 P.M.
December 30, 1980

NEB RELEASES WESTCOAST TOLLS & TARIFFS DECISION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision on the application by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited for revisions to the tolls which the company charges for the transmission of natural gas through its pipeline. The application was the subject of a public hearing in Ottawa in August and September 1980.

The existing tolls were set by tariff order No. TG-5-79 issued to Westcoast in 1979. The Company had applied to the Board for certain changes in the manner in which its tolls were to be calculated under the 1979 Order, including a change in the rate of return on rate base.

The Board determined that a rate of return on rate base (exclusive of income taxes) of 11.51 percent would be appropriate in determining just and reasonable tolls for Westcoast. The amending order issued by the Board, AO-4-TG-5-79, takes effect on 1 January 1981.

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December 30, 1980

TRANS QUEBEC & MARITIMES PIPELINE FILES APPLICATION WITH NEB

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it had received on December 19, 1980 the first part of an application from Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline Inc. for authorization to construct and operate a natural gas pipeline consisting of a mainline running from Quebec City to Halifax, and laterals and sub-laterals to serve markets in the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The Board denied a previous application for this pipeline in May 1980, because the Applicant failed to provide the requisite environmental and other information.

The application as now filed is not complete; major parts have not yet been received. TQ & M has indicated that these sections will be filed with the Board by about the third week in January.

The parts of the application that have been received are being examined expeditiously to determine their completeness. When the Board is satisfied that these parts of the application are reasonably complete, it will be prepared to consider setting a hearing date for these sections.

The Board cannot make any decisions on when it might set down for hearing the missing parts of the application, which cover, among other things, engineering and environmental matters, until the information is received and has been examined for its completeness.

The application states that, provided a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is granted by 1 April 1981, the pipeline could be completed by November 1983. In the opinion of the Board, because of the date of filing of this application, and because major parts of it have not yet been received, it is unrealistic to expect final disposition of this application by 1 April 1981, bearing in mind the requirements of the quasi-judicial process.

The Board reiterates that it is prepared to deal with the application expeditiously, once the information is reasonably complete.

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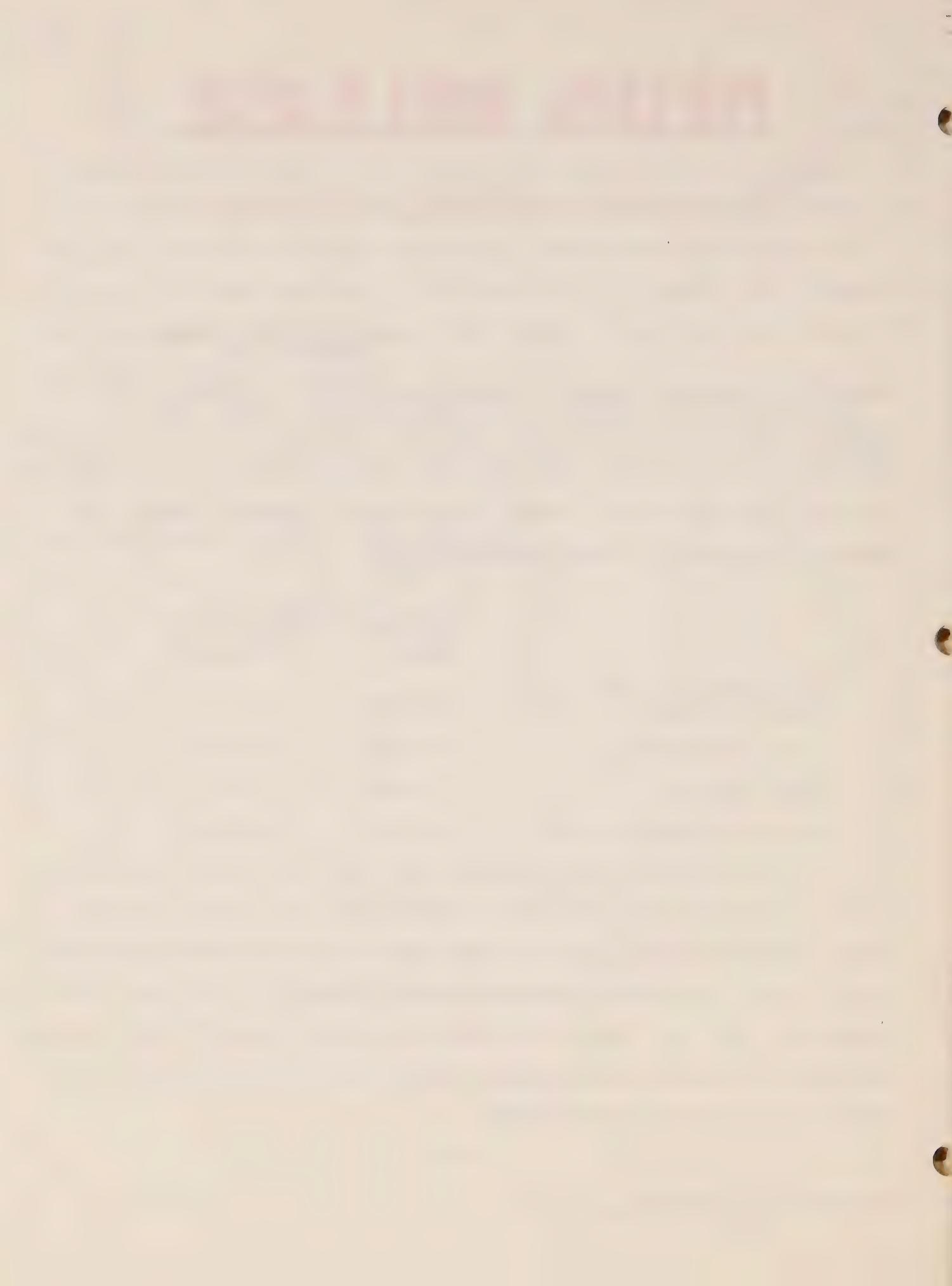
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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - JANUARY, 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of January, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

	\$/ m^3	
Previous Level	Level for January, 1981	
motor gasoline and gasoline components	129.00	103.50
middle distillate	127.75	103.50
heavy fuel oil	84.65	84.65
partially processed oil	117.35	103.50

The Honourable Marc Lalonde said that the main factor contributing to the reduction in levels of export charge for motor gasoline, middle distillate and partially processed oil is the scheduled increase of \$15.75 per cubic metre in the Petroleum Compensation Charge, effective 1 January, 1981. In the case of heavy fuel oil, a rise in the Petroleum Compensation Charge has been offset by an increase in the price of the product in relevant export markets.



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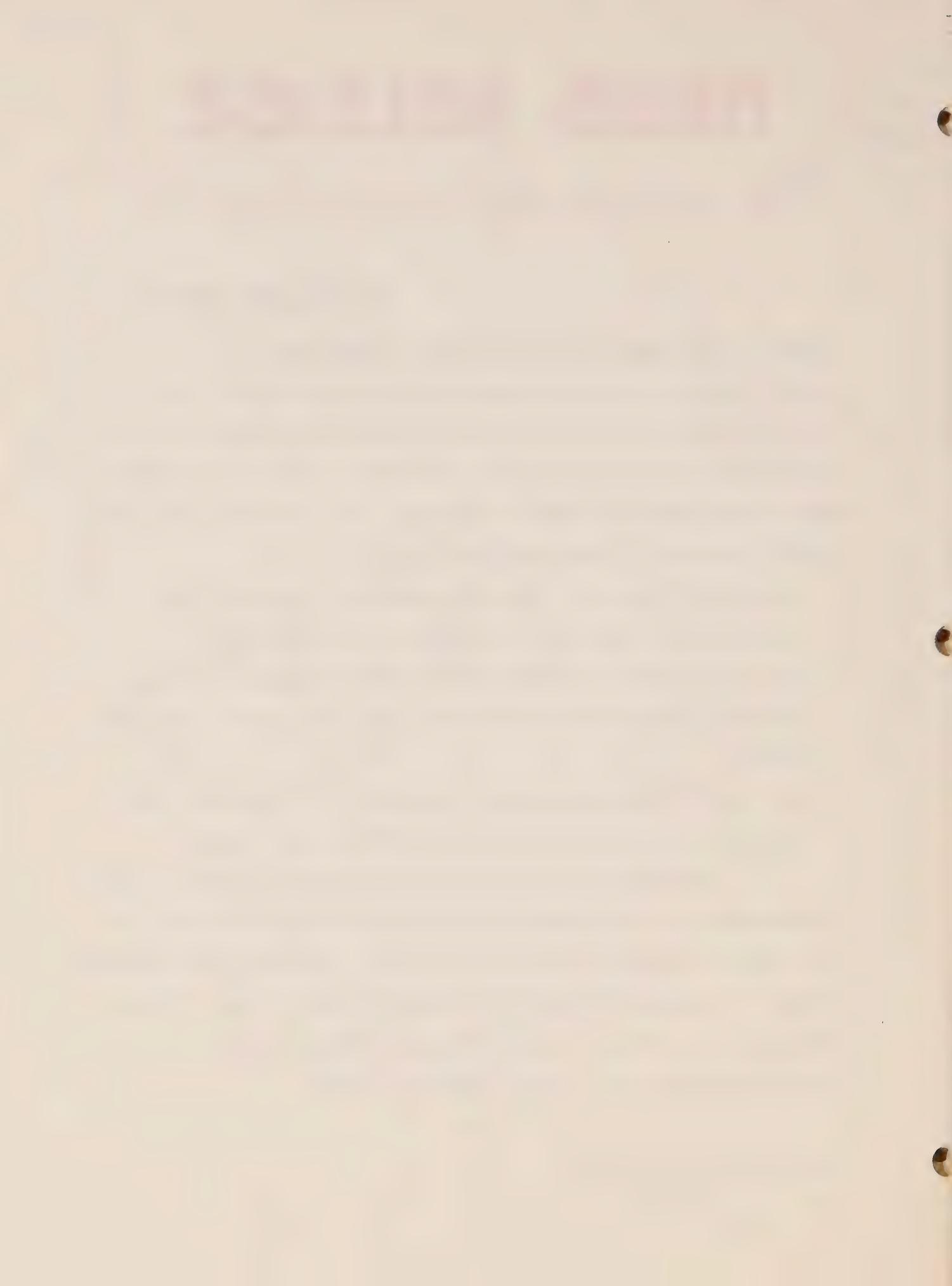
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31 DECEMBER, 1980.

JANUARY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his proposal that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of January, 1981 and until further notice to be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oil and condensate, an increase from \$180.80 per cubic metre to \$218.60 per cubic metre.
2. For Lloydminster and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends an increase from \$102.90 per cubic metre to \$146.25 per cubic metre.
3. For other designated heavy crude oils, an increase from \$122.40 per cubic metre to \$160.20 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that these changes result from a reassessment of the competitive position of Canadian oils in the light of recent market developments, including the decision by OPEC Ministers to raise the levels of their export prices, increases in world oil transportation costs, and the decline in the exchange value of the Canadian dollar.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
13 January 1981

NEB TO HEAR TQ & M FACILITIES APPLICATION

The National Energy Board announced on 30 December 1980 that it had received the first part of an application from Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline Inc. for natural gas pipeline facilities to extend through the provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Today the Board announced that it will hold a phased hearing of the application. The first phase will deal with matters relating to natural gas supply and requirements and will open in Ottawa on Tuesday, 10 March 1981 in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street at 9:30 a.m. local time, provided that satisfactory information is filed by 24 February 1981 in response to the Board's information requests on the first phase of the hearing.

The Board has provided that interested parties may be heard in Ottawa, Quebec City, Halifax or Fredericton.

The deadline for interventions has been set at 27 February 1981.

Major portions of the application have not yet been filed with the Board. When they are received and the Board is satisfied that they are reasonably complete subsequent phases of the hearing will be scheduled.

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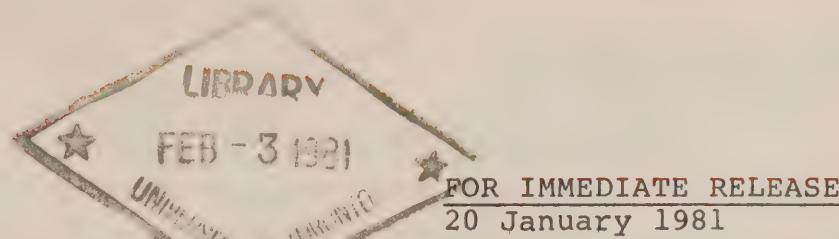
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ONTARIO HYDRO - APPLICATION FOR LICENCES, A CERTIFICATE AND AN ORDER

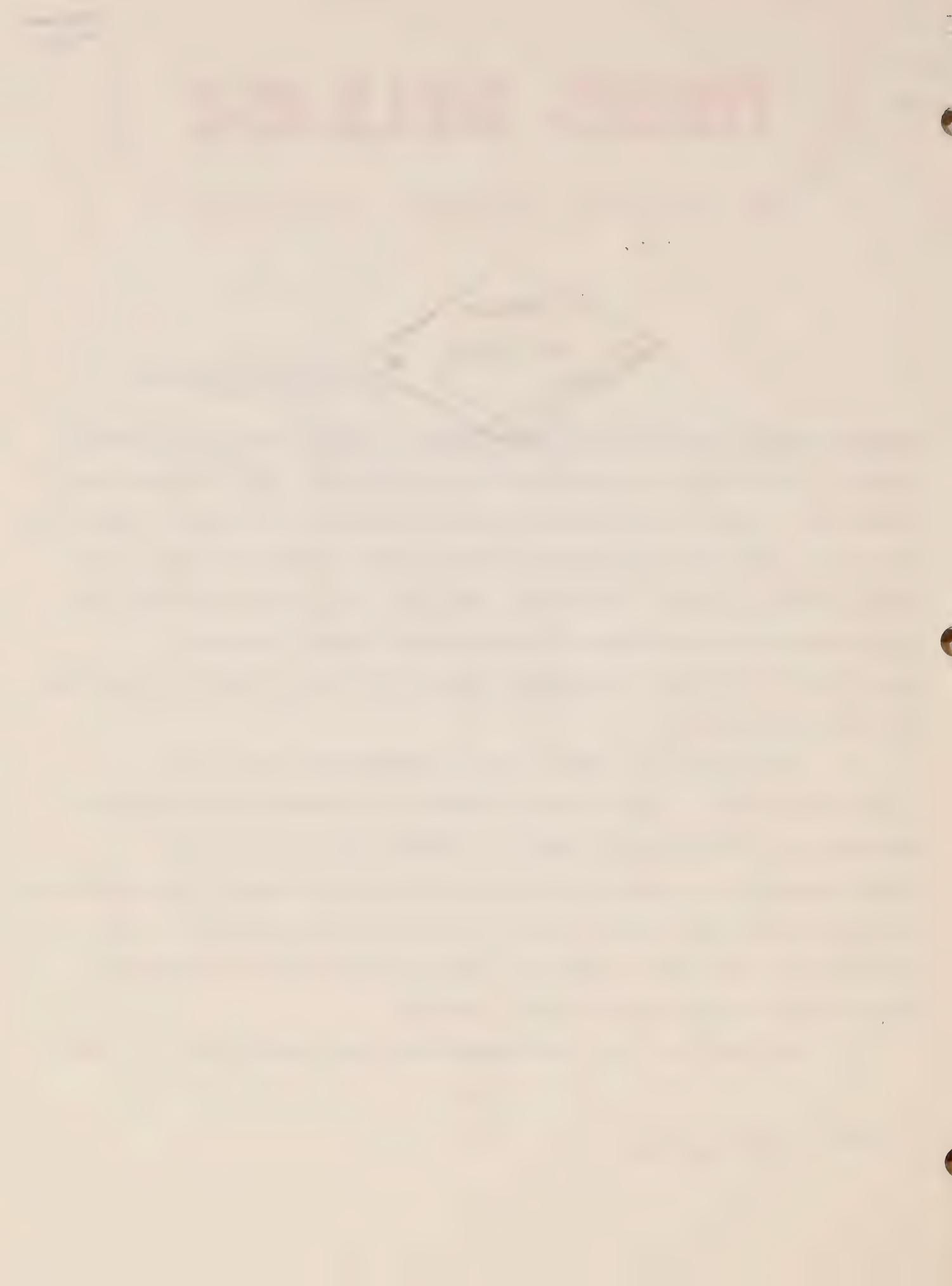
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board by its Order No. EH-1-81 announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing on Tuesday, March 17, 1981 in the National Energy Board Hearing Room, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario at 9:30 a.m. local time concerning an application by Ontario Hydro for electrical export licences, a certificate for a new international power line and an order to amend an existing certificate.

The Company has applied for a replacement licence for circulating power, a new licence to permit the export of unscheduled transfers of interruptible power, a licence for the export of miscellaneous firm power, and for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for a new 345 kV international power line and for an order to authorize an increase in length of the existing 230 kV international power lines, all at Niagara Falls, Ontario.

The deadline for interventions has been set at March 2, 1981.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
20 January 1980

NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION FILES APPLICATION WITH NEB

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it had received on 3 December 1980 an application dated 19 November 1980 from The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission.

The primary purpose of the application is to request approval of a firm export of nuclear capacity from the future Point Lepreau generating station, namely 100 MW and 876 GW.h to the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company and 5 MW of nuclear capacity to Eastern Maine Electric Co-operative, Inc. Further, the application contains provisions for an additional export of 130 MW of nuclear capacity to other New England utilities, provided that current negotiations are successful and completed on time.

The application also requests an amendment to the existing Licence No. EL-65 in order to extend the term of the licence and to increase the related quantity of interruptible export.

Other parts of the application request amendments to other existing licences issued to The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission to vary either the term or the maximum quantities.

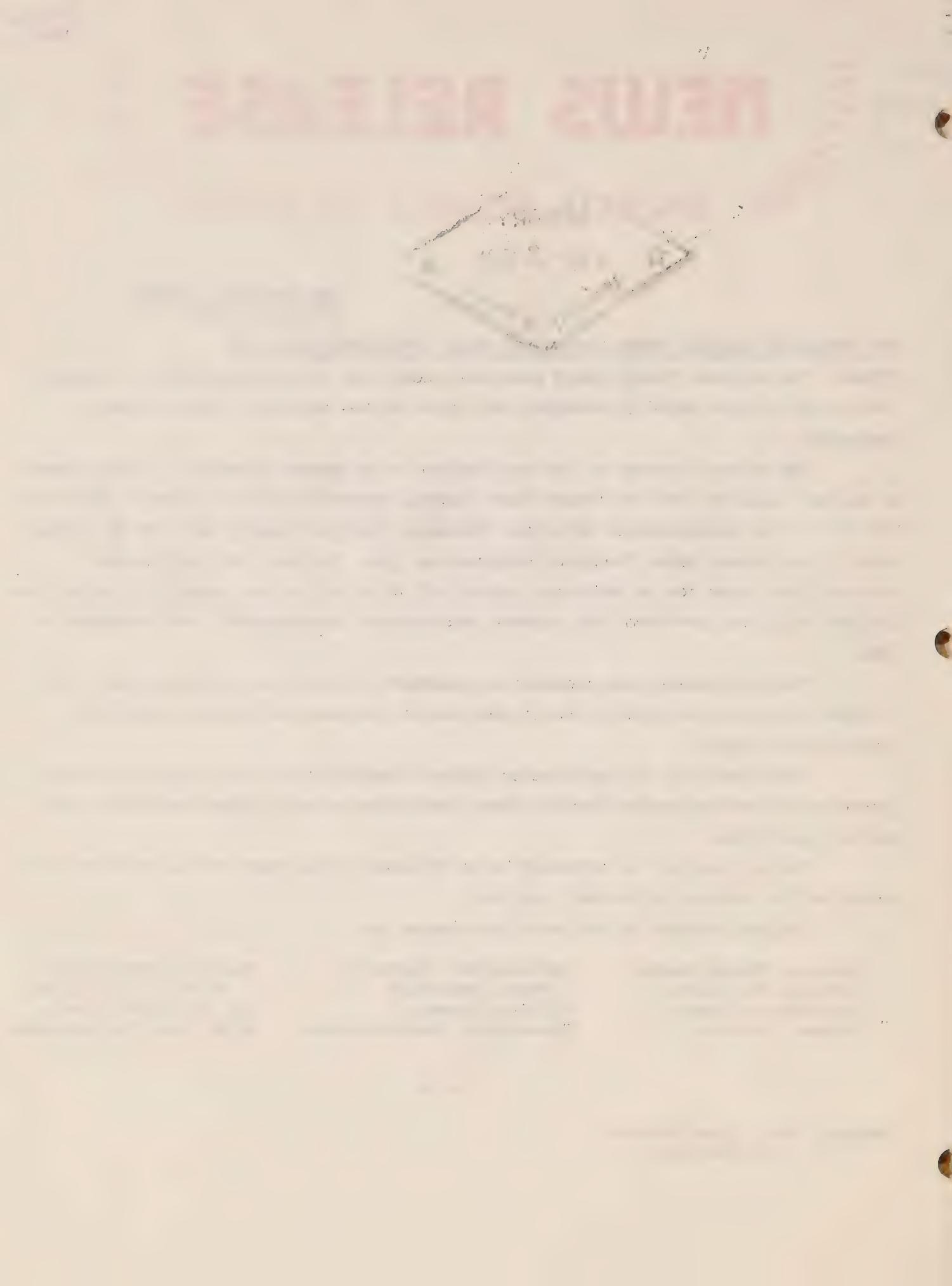
The application is currently being reviewed by the Board and is expected to be scheduled for hearing in the early spring.

The application is available for viewing at:

National Energy Board,
Library, 9th Floor,
473 Albert Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

New Brunswick Electric
Power Commission
527 King Street,
Fredericton, New Brunswick.

Board of Commissioners
of Public Utilities,
110 Charlotte Street,
Saint John, New Brunswick.



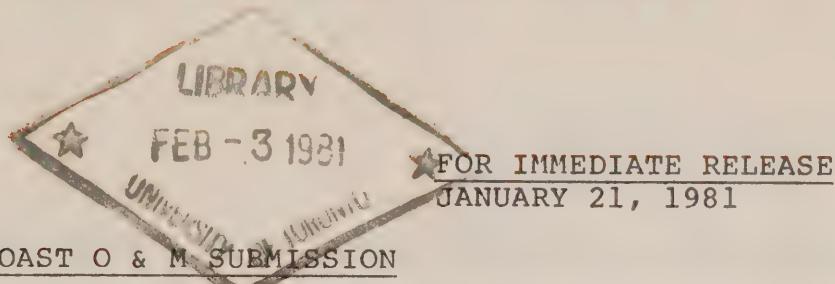
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NEB TO HEAR WESTCOAST O & M SUBMISSION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, February 17, 1981 in the Board's Hearing Room, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time concerning a submission by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited with respect to its operating and maintenance budget for 1981.

Westcoast has filed a submission dated 14 October 1980 setting forth its operating and maintenance budget for the twelve-month period ending 31 December 1981. At the hearing, the Board will examine the submission as well as certain other matters relating to the method of regulation established pursuant to Order No. TG-5-79, which is the tariff order issued to Westcoast in 1979.

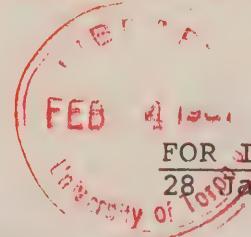
The deadline for interventions has been set at Wednesday, February 4, 1981.



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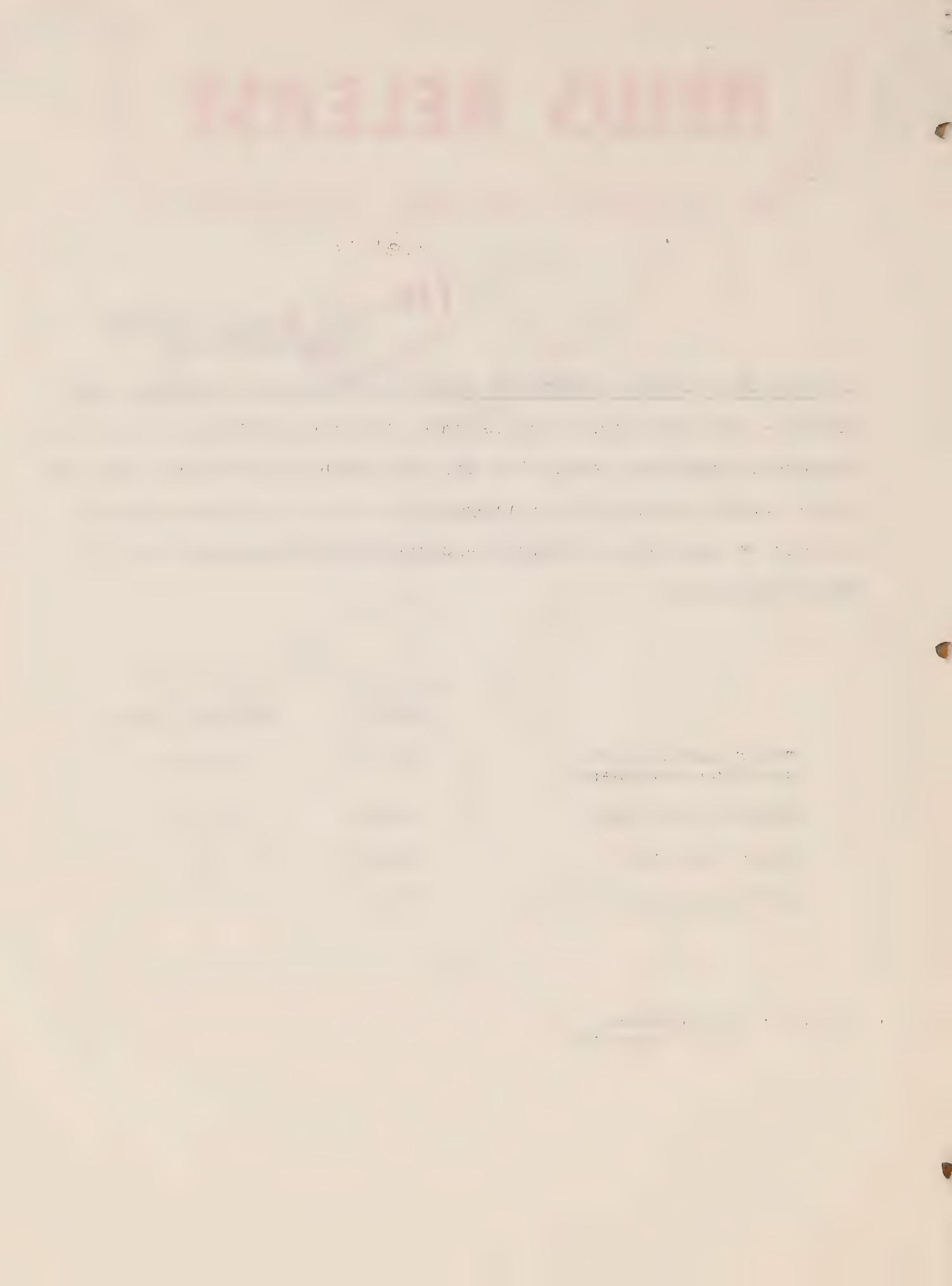
CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - FEBRUARY 1981

OTTAWA - The Honourable Marc Lalonde, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of February, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for February, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	103.50	117.05
middle distillate	103.50	117.05
heavy fuel oil	84.65	84.65
partially processed oil	103.50	117.05

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

FOR RELEASE AT 5:00 P.M.
February 3, 1981.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD APPROVES \$6 MILLION BUDGET OVERRUN OF WESTCOAST TRANSMISSION

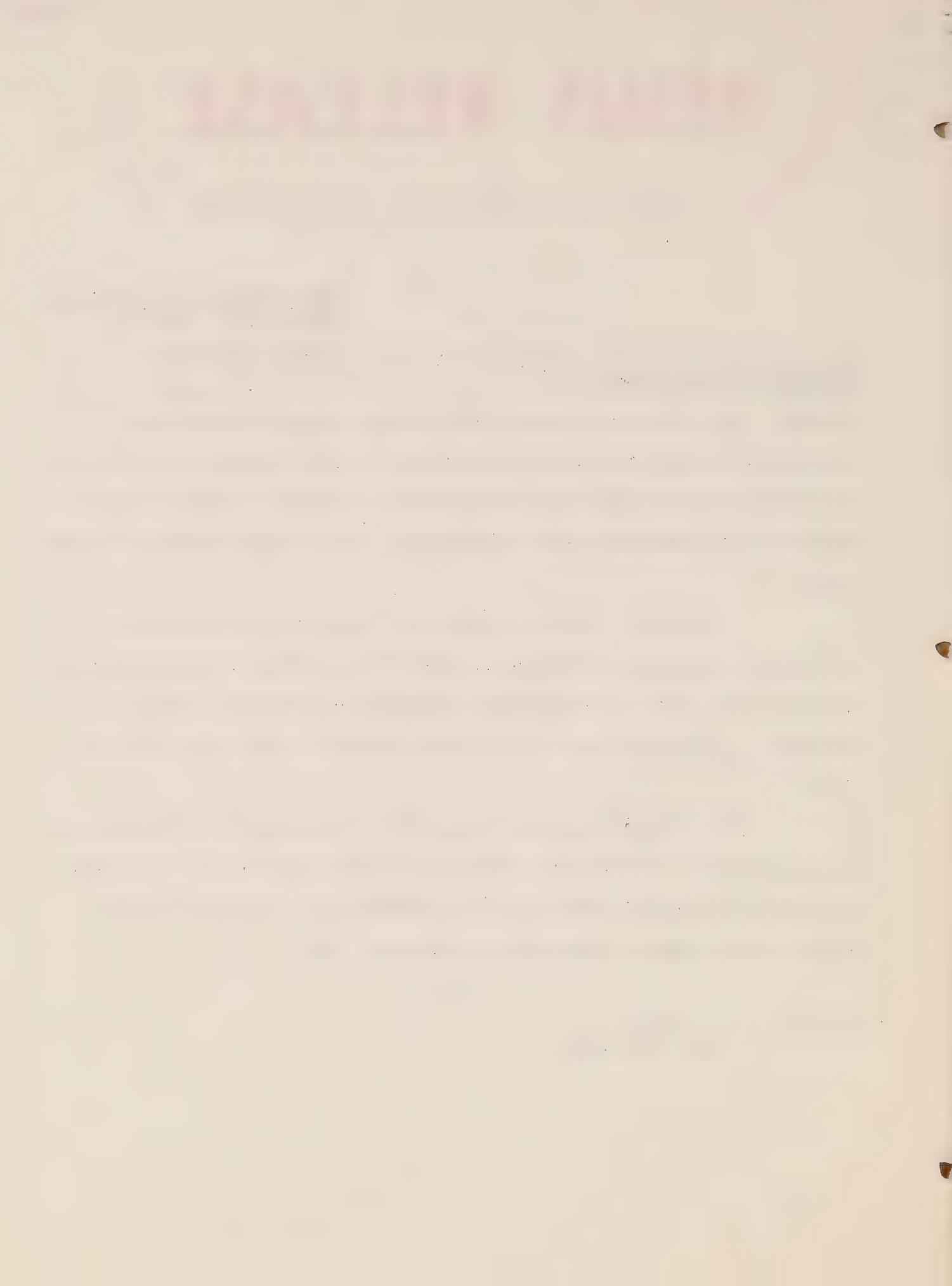
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board today issued its Decision approving an application by Westcoast to have included in its cost of service toll a \$6.2 million overrun in actual versus budgeted expenses for operation and maintenance for the year ending 30 June 1980.

Under the Board's scheme for regulating the tolls of Westcoast, budgetary overruns in operating and maintenance expenses are deferred and, if necessary, disposed of through a public hearing. A hearing was held on this matter on January 26 and 27, 1981.

The Board accepted Westcoast's evidence that the expenses were properly incurred and ordered the inclusion of the overruns in Westcoast's cost of service toll together with carrying charges over the six months beginning 1 February 1981.

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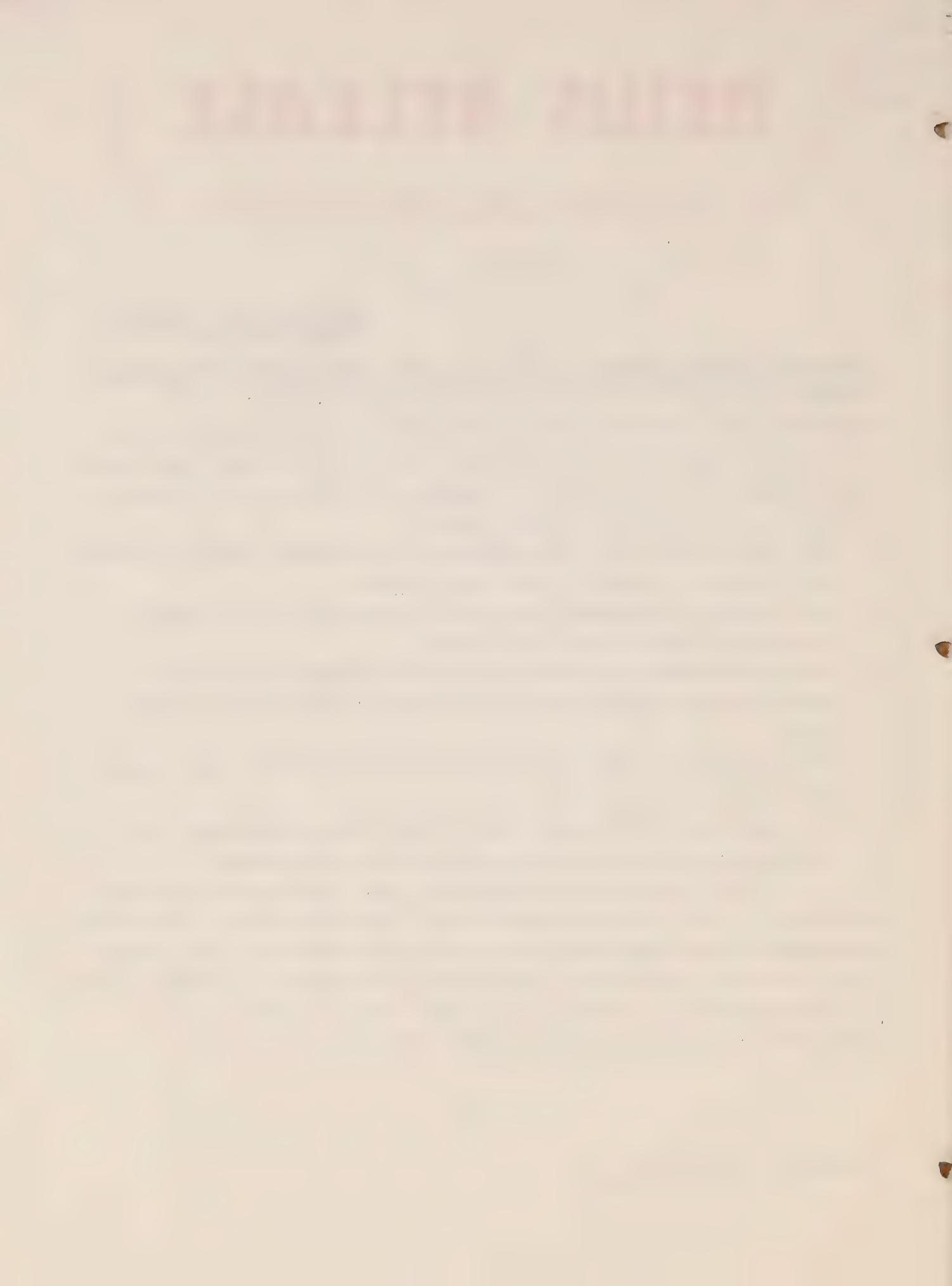
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
5 February 1981

FEBRUARY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL AND EQUIVALENT HYDROCARBONS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his recommendation that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of February, 1981 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oil and condensate, a decrease from \$218.60 per cubic metre to \$199.70 per cubic meter.
2. For crude oil produced from the Del Bonita well an export charge of \$186.50 per cubic metre.
3. For Lloydminster and Wainright-Viking Kinsella blends, a decrease from \$146.25 per cubic metre to \$135.50 per cubic metre.
4. For Fosterton crude, a decrease from \$160.20 per cubic metre to \$145.35 per cubic metre.
5. For the other designated heavy crude oils, a decrease from \$160.20 per cubic metre to \$149.45 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the new tariff partly reflects variances in the exchange value of the Canadian dollar. Additional adjustments have been made to bring the charges for light crudes into line with competitive conditions and improve the marketability of Fosterton crude, as well as to take account of the general increase in Canadian wellhead prices effective 1 January.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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NEB TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON Foothills (YUKON) RATES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, 31 March 1981 at 9:30 a.m. local time, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, concerning the tolls to be charged by Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. and other related matters.

Evidence and submissions shall be heard:

- a) to enable the Board to determine whether the Final Design Cost Estimates for prebuild facilities in Zones 7 and 8, as submitted by Foothills (Yukon), are acceptable for Incentive Rate of Return purposes;
- b) to enable the Board to determine whether the Final Design Cost Estimates for prebuild facilities in Zones 6 and 9, which estimates are to be filed with the Board by 16 February 1981, are acceptable for Incentive Rate of Return purposes;
- c) to enable the Board to determine the disposition, for rate base purposes, of costs incurred during the year ended 31 December 1980 by Foothills (Yukon), its subsidiaries and the sponsor companies;
- d) to enable the Board to determine the appropriate method of allocation, for rate base and Incentive Rate of Return purposes, of the administrative and other expenses incurred by Foothills (Yukon);
- e) to enable the Board to determine, for rate base purposes, the disposition of all costs associated with the Northern Alberta Burst Test Facilities;
- f) to enable the Board to determine whether the procedures regarding Operation and Maintenance Costs are appropriate for the first year of operation;
- g) to enable the Board to review the Foothills (Yukon) estimate of the cost to be incurred after 1 January 1981 to complete construction of the prebuild facilities in Zones 7 and 8, and to determine its acceptability for provisional rate base purposes;

- h) to enable the Board to review the Gas Transportation Agreement between Foothills Pipe Lines (South B.C.) Ltd. and Alberta Natural Gas Company Ltd. for any modifications that may be required arising from the Board's Decision of May 1980 respecting the tolls and tariffs of Alberta Natural gas Company Ltd.;
- i) to enable the Board to review the cost of service toll applicable to the prebuild facilities in Zones 7 and 8 arising from the tariff, as approved in the Decision on Phase IV(b), including the Operation and Maintenance Budget for 1981, and other issues relating to income taxes, capital structure and rate base.

The deadline for interventions has been set at 25 February 1981.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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February 10, 1981.

NEB TO HEAR WESTCOAST O & M SUBMISSION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that the hearing scheduled to commence on February 17, 1981 to consider the matter of the submission by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited with respect to its operating and maintenance budget for 1981 has been rescheduled to commence on Monday, April 6, 1981.

At the hearing, the Board will examine the submission as well as certain other matters relating to the method of regulation established pursuant to Order No. TG-5-79, which is the tariff order issued to Westcoast in 1979.

Interventions must be received before February 21, 1981.

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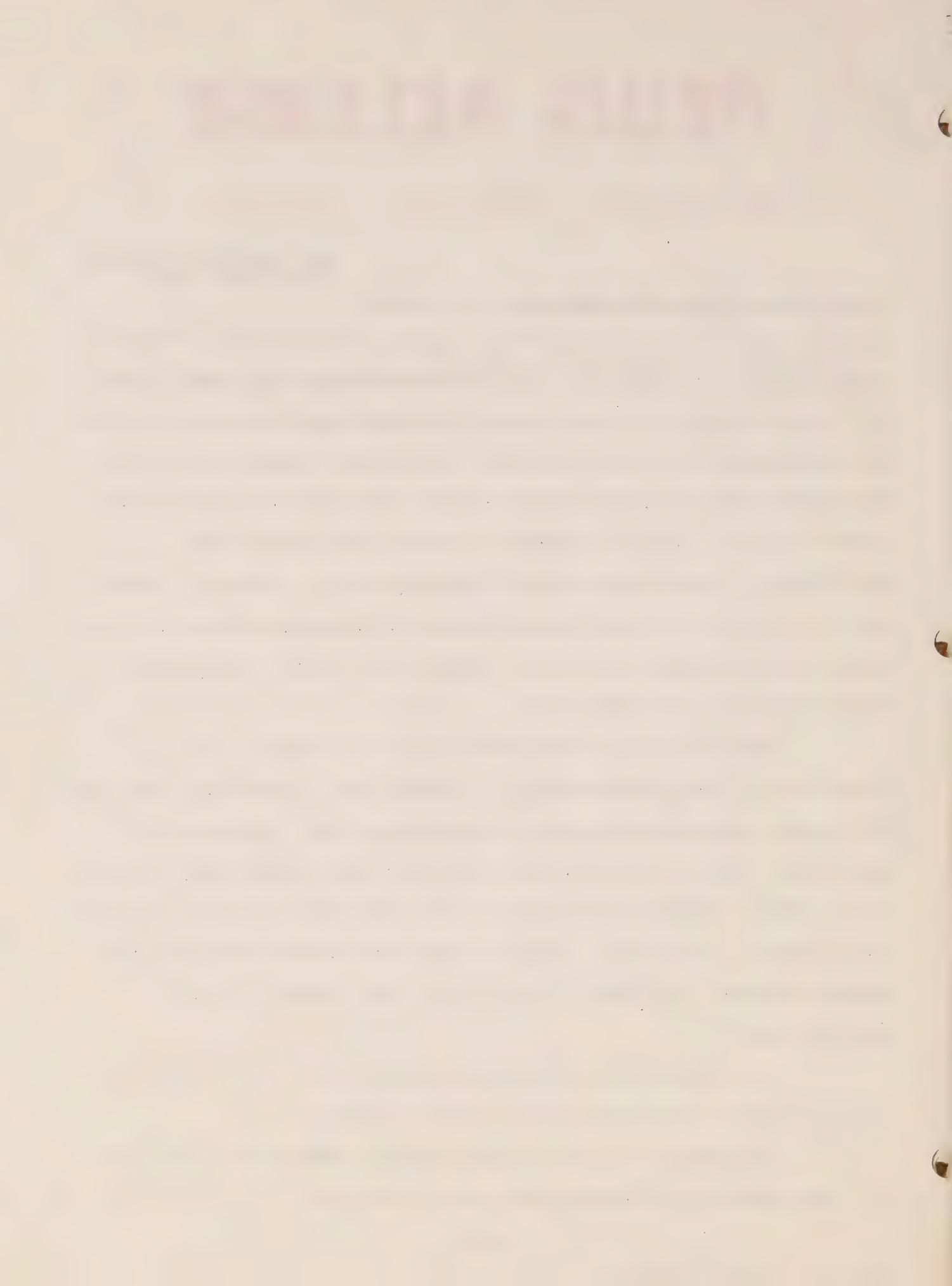
TRANS QUEBEC AND MARITIMES PIPELINE HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board confirmed today that on Tuesday 10 March 1981, at 9:30 a.m., it will begin Phase I of the hearing of the application by Trans Quebec and Maritimes Pipeline Inc. for the construction of a gas pipeline from Lévis, Quebec to Halifax. The hearing will be held in the Hearing Room of the Board at 473 Albert Street. Phase I relates to natural gas supply and requirements and the east coast offshore study. Phase II, which will deal with all other issues raised by the application of Trans Quebec and Maritimes Inc., will commence in Ottawa immediately after completion of Phase I.

The Board will hold sessions of the hearing in Fredericton starting on Monday, 30 March 1981, in the St. John Room of the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, Fredericton, N.B., starting on Wednesday 1 April in the Cavalier Room of the Citadel Inn, Halifax, N.S., and on Monday 6 April 1981 in the Krieghoff Room of the Loews Le Concorde, Quebec City, to hear those intervenors who wish to adduce evidence in these cities on any issue raised in the application.

The Board will reconvene in Ottawa on 8 April 1981 to hear any outstanding matters and final argument.

The Board has issued a procedural order which sets out the requirements for further filings by parties.

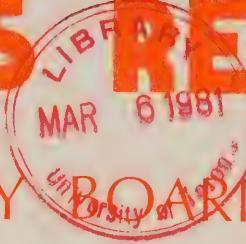


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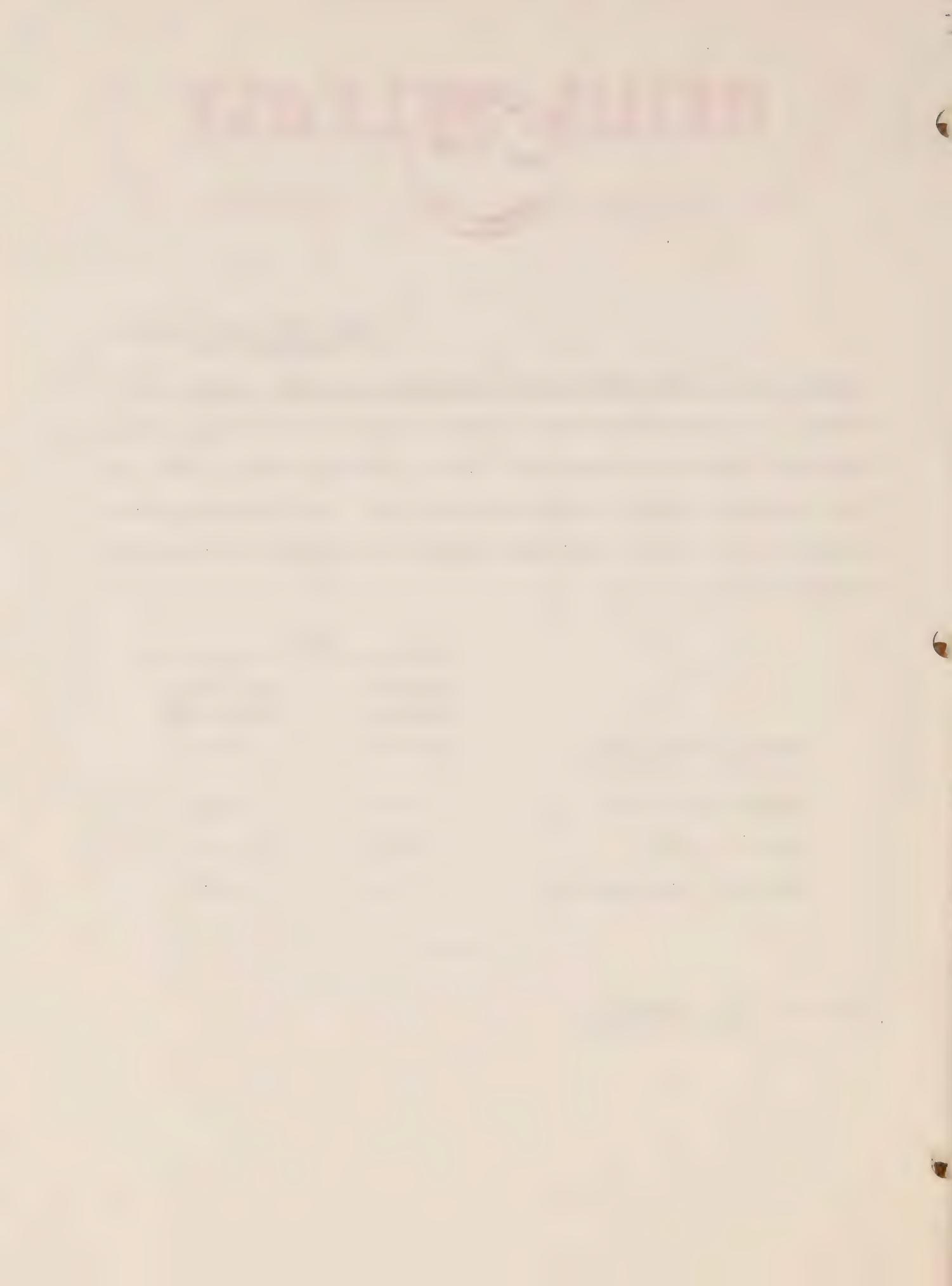
CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - MARCH 1981

OTTAWA - The Honourable Marc Lalonde, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of March, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on licensed exports of petroleum products of domestic-origin:

	<u>\$/m³</u>	
	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for March, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	117.05	118.95
middle distillate	117.05	118.95
heavy fuel oil	84.65	103.55
partially processed oil	117.05	118.95

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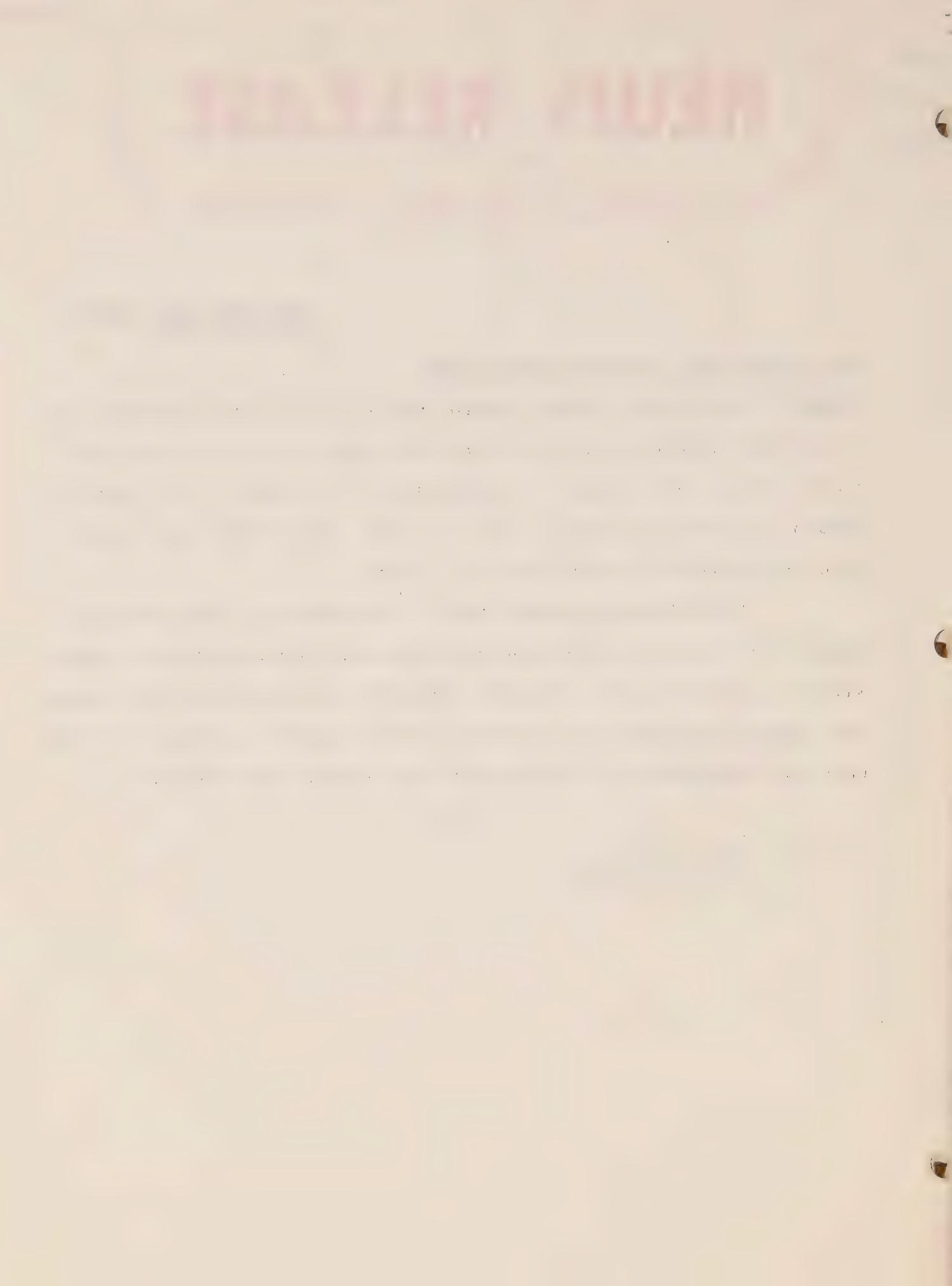
TCPL FILES RATE INCREASE APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has received an application from TransCanada PipeLines Limited for rates and tolls to be effective 1 July 1981. The company is requesting an increase in its rate of return on rate base from 11.10% to 12.90%, which would incorporate a rate of return on common equity of 16.75%.

TransCanada proposes that a new scheme of regulation be adopted by the Board providing for tolls of a cost of service type, without increasing the company's rates for Canadian sales of natural gas. TransCanada has also requested orders approving the price to be paid by TransCanada to acquire gas for removal from Alberta.

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25 March 1981

MARINE AND AVIATION BUNKERS

OTTAWA - For administrative reasons, the National Energy Board has been asked by the Minister of Finance to announce a one-month delay to 1 May 1981 in the implementation of the licensing of marine and aviation bunker fuels.

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25 March 1981

NEB SETS DOWN TRANSCANADA FACILITIES APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, 12 May 1981, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning the application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for authorization to construct and operate pipeline facilities.

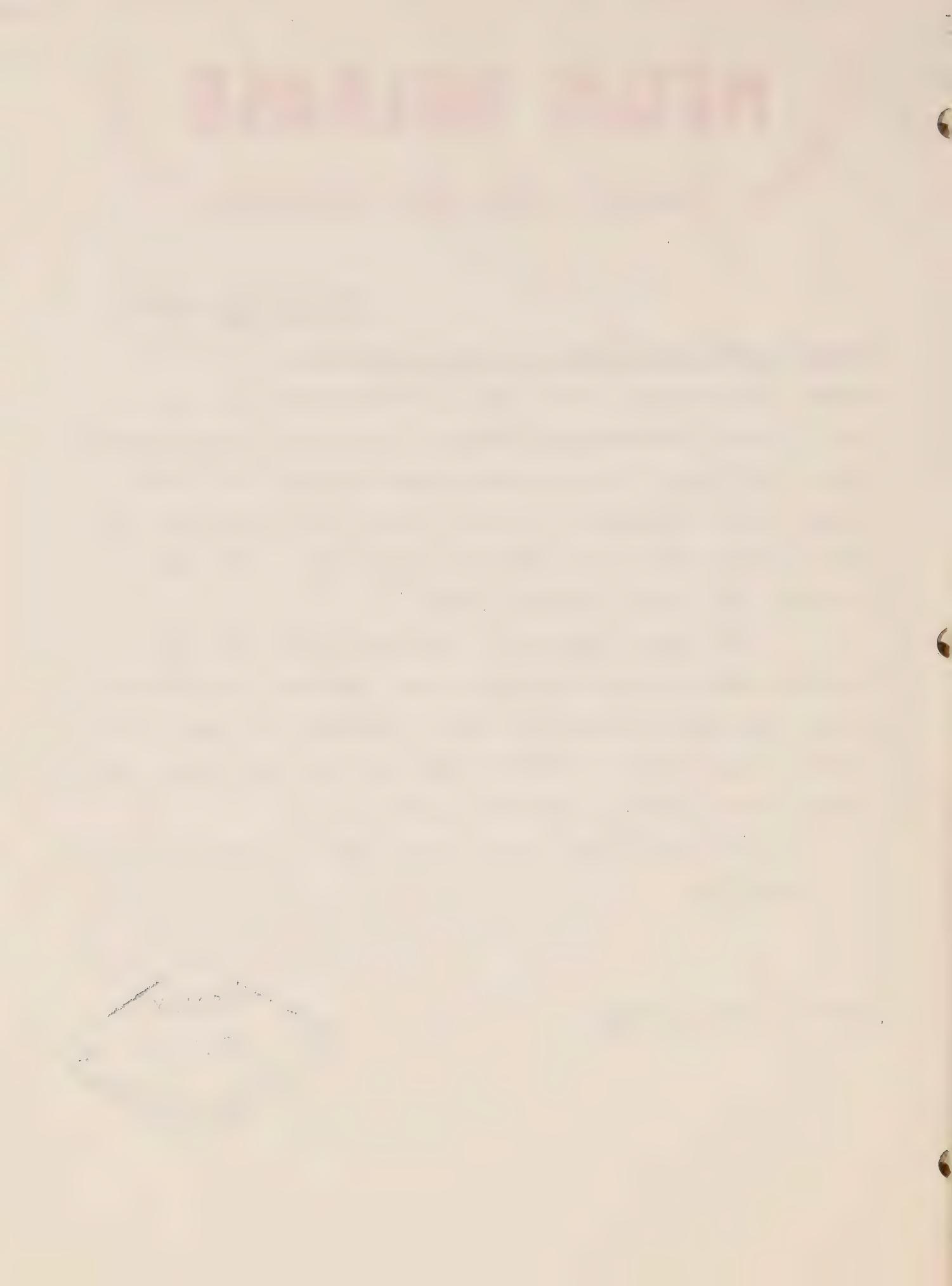
The company proposes to loop certain portions of its existing pipeline system in Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec with approximately 340.8 km of 1 219 mm, 1 067 mm, 914 mm and 508 mm O.D. pipe, to install eight new compressor units, and to relocate three existing compressor units.

The deadline for the filing of interventions has been set at 15 April 1981.

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CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - APRIL, 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of April 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for April, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	118.95	131.55
middle distillate	118.95	120.80
heavy fuel oil	103.55	103.55
partially processed oil	118.95	120.80

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FOR RELEASE AT 4:00 P.M.
22 April 1981

NEB APPROVES CONSTRUCTION OF NORMAN WELLS PIPELINE

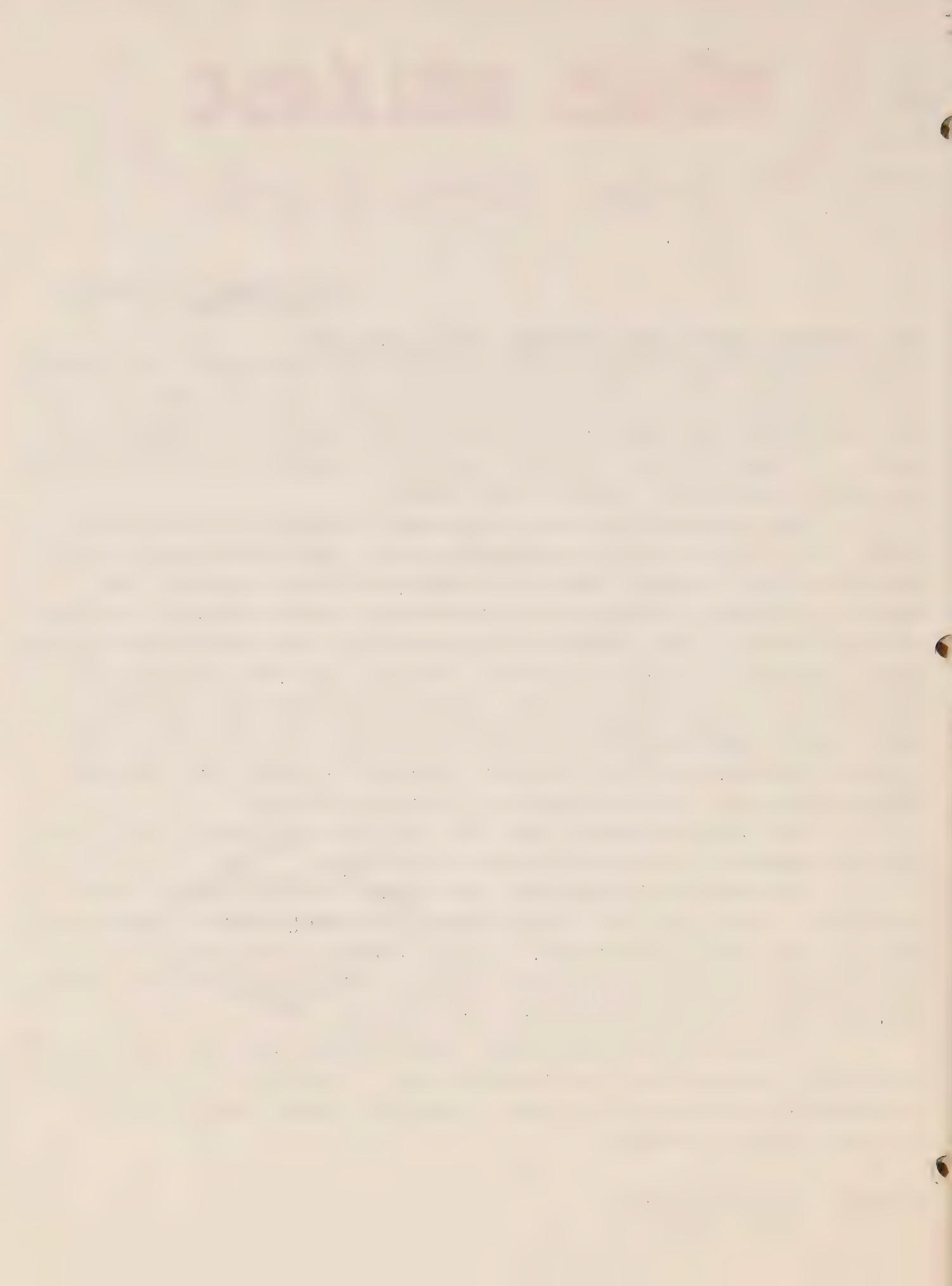
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision approving an application filed by Interprovincial Pipe Line (NW) Ltd. for the construction and operation of a buried oil pipeline from Norman Wells, N.W.T., to Zama, Alberta. Governor in Council approval is required before the certificate can be issued to the company.

The pipeline, 323.9 mm in diameter and extending some 866 km in length, is to be built at an estimated capital cost of \$360 million and will be used to transport 5000 cubic meters per day of crude oil and natural gas liquids produced by Esso Resources Canada Limited to existing Canadian markets. The proposal also provides for the installation of three pumping stations as well as receiving, delivery and other facilities. Installation of additional pumping capacity could raise the system's capability to approximately 7150 cubic meters per day. To reach these volumes of production, Esso Resources proposes to expand the existing Norman Wells field and use secondary recovery techniques.

The company plans to have the pipeline completed by the end of 1983 and proposes to start operations early 1984.

In reaching its decision, the Board took into account a wide variety of issues that were raised during five weeks of public hearing at Edmonton, Yellowknife and Ottawa on such subjects as regional socio-economic matters, environment matters, economic benefits to Canada, economic viability and availability of crude oil.

The Board has also issued a tariff order approving the form and content of the tariff for the transportation of petroleum from Norman Wells to Zama providing for a "full cost of service" tariff, including a 16 per cent return on equity.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
28 April 1981.

PUBLIC HEARING ON EXPROPRIATION OF LAND FOR PIPELINE EXTENSION FROM SAINT-LAZARE TO BOISBRIAND, QUEBEC

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has set down for a public hearing an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for permission to acquire certain temporary and permanent land rights.

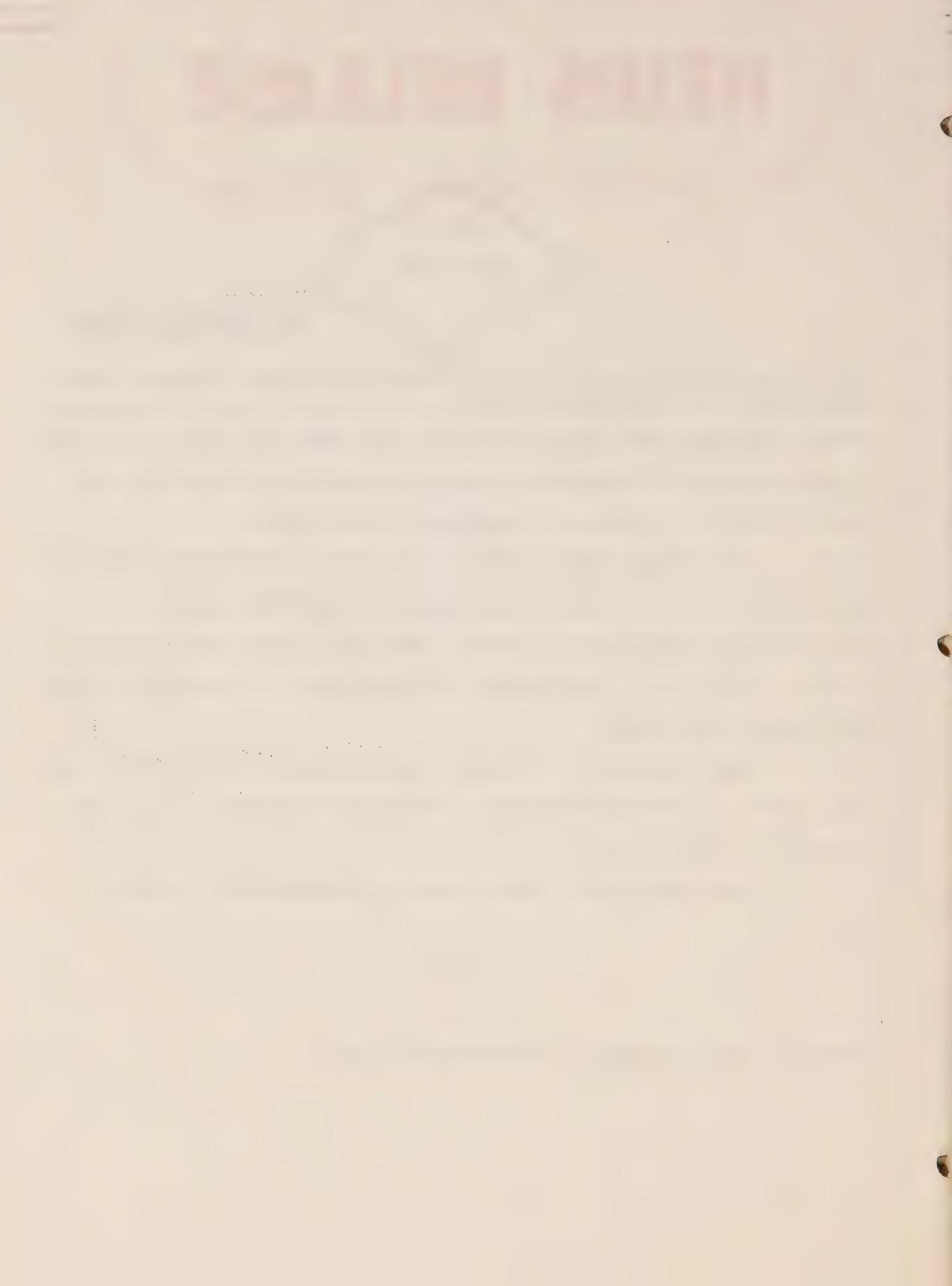
The company was issued a certificate on 21 March 1980 for the construction of a natural gas pipeline extension from Saint-Lazare to Boisbriand, Quebec. The land rights are required for the construction, maintenance and operation of certain parts of the pipeline extension.

The hearing will be held in Saint-Eustache, Quebec, at the Civic Centre, 230 Boulevard Sauvé, starting on Tuesday 2 June 1981 at 9:30 a.m. local time.

The deadline for the filing of interventions is 25 May 1981.

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30 April 1981

MAY EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his recommendation that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of May, 1981 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

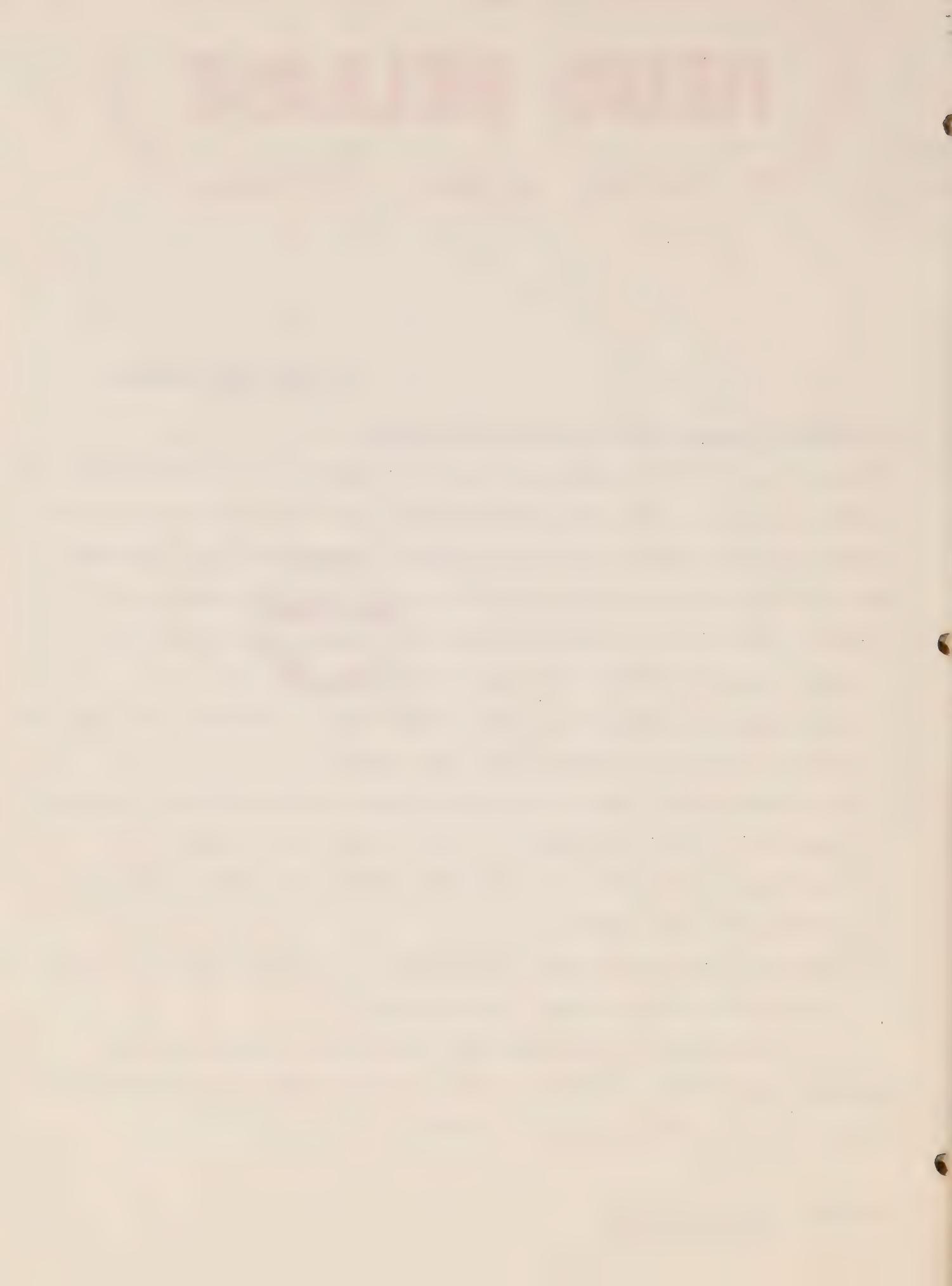
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1. For light crude oil and condensate, a decrease from \$199.70 per cubic metre to \$196.55 per cubic metre.
2. For crude oil produced from Del Bonita well, a decrease from \$186.50 per cubic metre to \$183.85 per cubic metre.
3. For Lloydminster, and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends, a decrease from \$135.50 per cubic metre to \$129.20 per cubic metre.
4. For Fosterton crude, a decrease from \$145.35 per cubic metre to \$139.05 per cubic metre.
5. For other designated heavy crude oils, a decrease from \$149.45 per cubic metre to \$143.15 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the new tariff results from the strengthening of the Canadian dollar as well as the general softening of some crude oil prices in the U.S. market.

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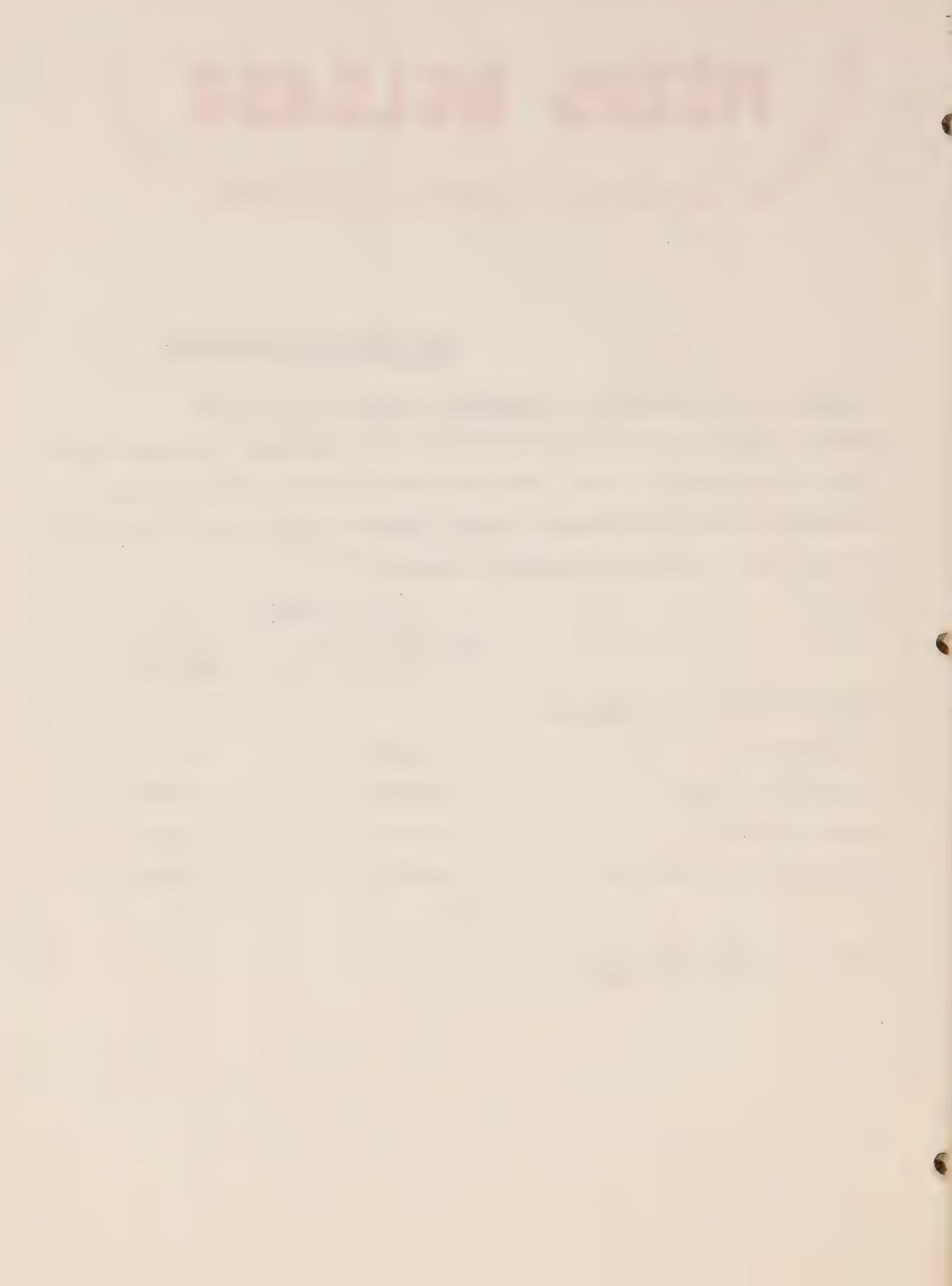
CHARGES ON BULK EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - MAY 1980

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of May, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

	<u>Previous level</u>	<u>Level for May 1981</u>
Motor Gasoline and Gasoline		
Components	131.55	124.30
Middle Distillate	120.80	107.90
Heavy Fuel Oil	103.55	83.70
Partially Processed Oil	120.80	107.90

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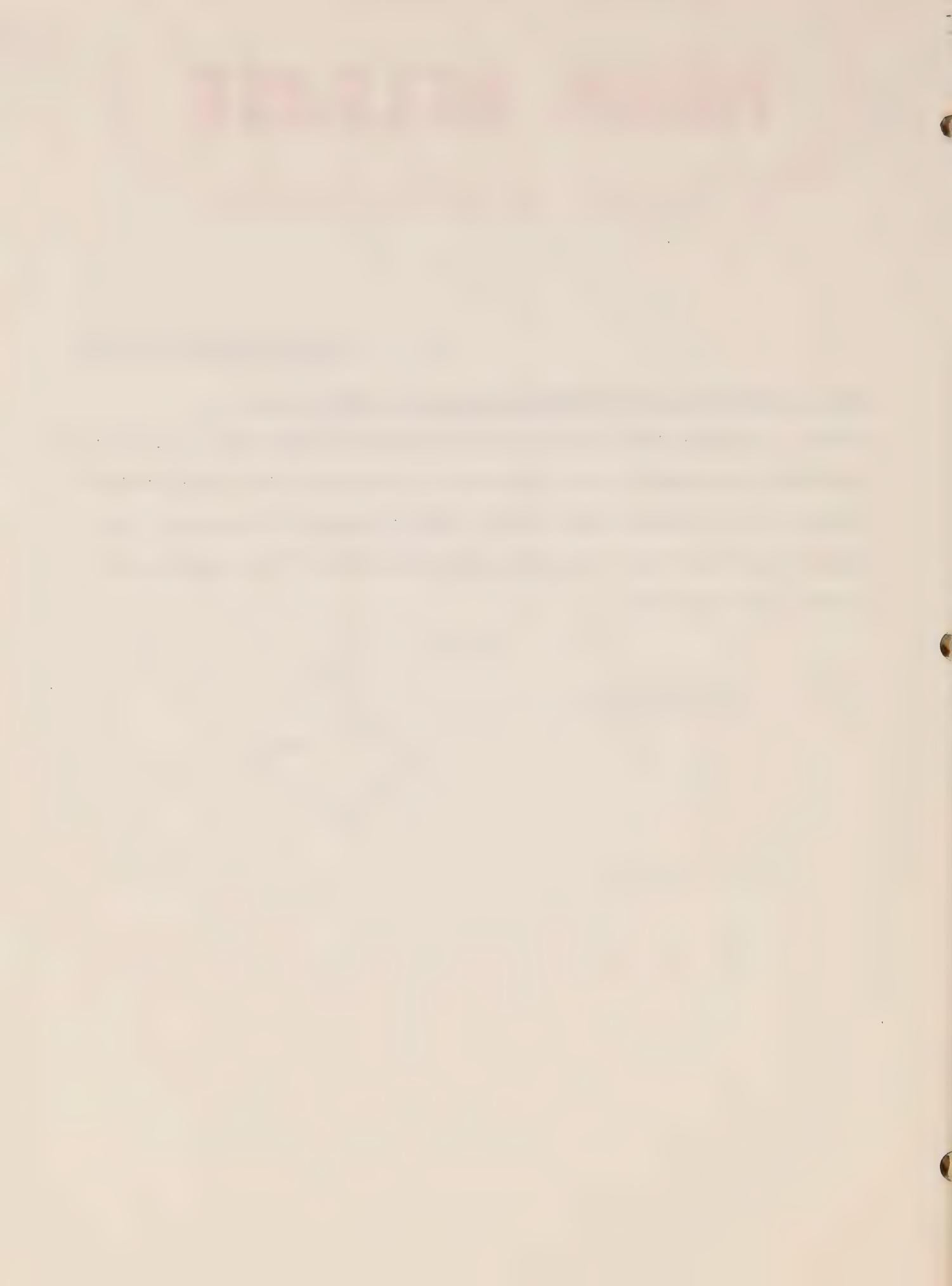
NEB TO RESCHEDULE TRANSCANADA FACILITIES APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that the hearing scheduled to commence on 12 May 1981 to consider the application of TransCanada PipeLines Limited for authorization to construct and operate pipeline facilities has been rescheduled to commence on Tuesday, 19 May 1981.

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PUBLIC HEARING ON TCPL REQUEST FOR REROUTING OF PIPELINE

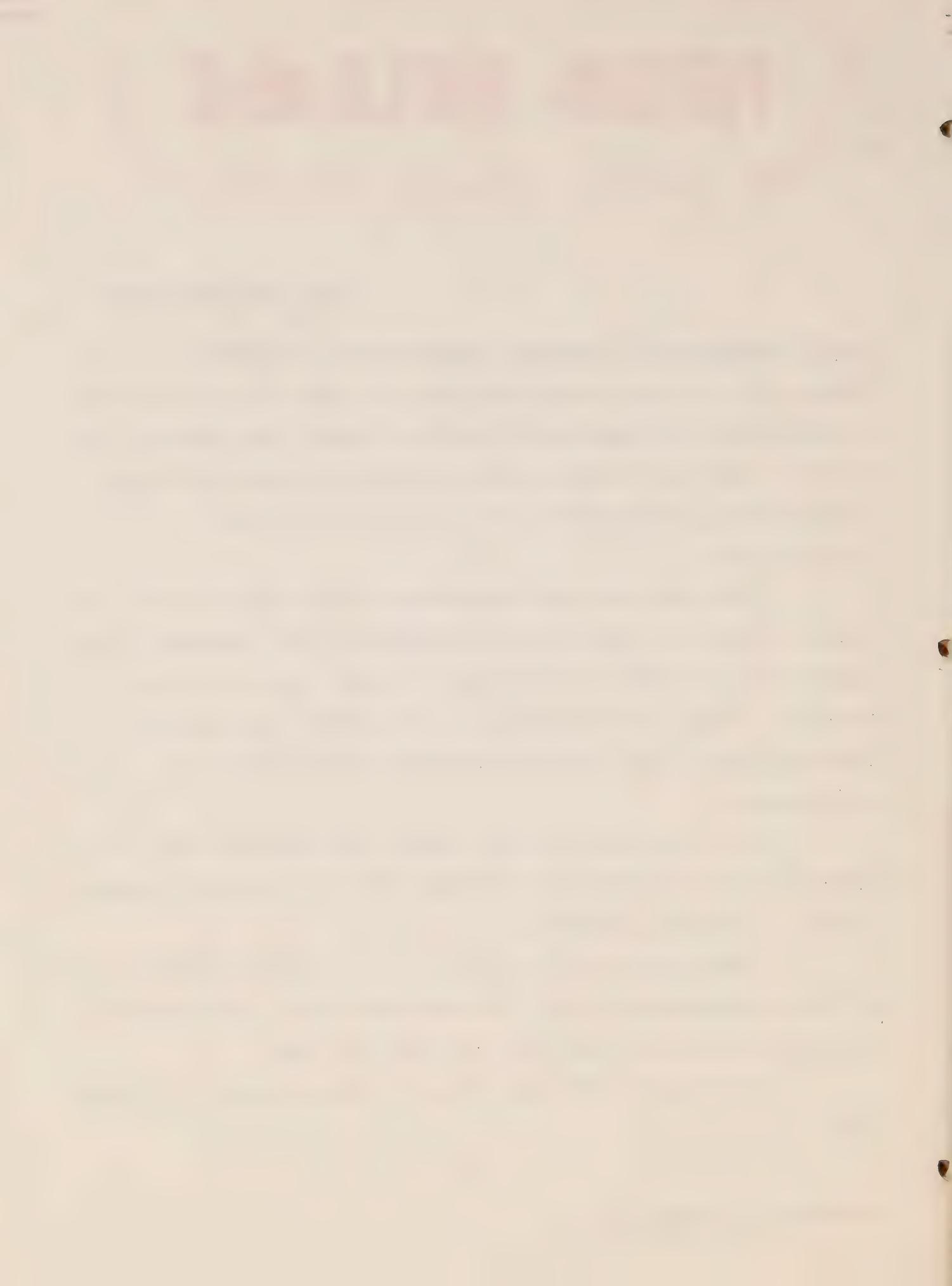
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has set down for public hearing an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for permission to reroute a portion of natural gas pipeline facilities to be built in the Province of Quebec between Boisbriand Junction and Trois-Rivières.

The route for the construction of the pipeline facilities between Boisbriand Junction and Trois-Rivières was approved by the Board last year under a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued to TransCanada on 15 May 1980 authorizing the Company to build the pipeline from Boisbriand Junction to Lévis/Lauzon.

After discussions with l'Union des producteurs agricoles, landowners and the Province of Quebec, TCPL is requesting a major change in the route location.

The hearing will be held in the St. Laurent Rooms A and B of the Le Baron Motor Hotel, 3600 Boulevard Royal, Trois-Rivières, starting on Monday 22 June 1981 at 9:30 local time.

The deadline for the filing of interventions is 11 June 1981.



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA



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21 May 1981

TRANSCANADA 1981 RATE APPLICATION SET DOWN FOR HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Monday, 29 June 1981, at 9:30 a.m. local time, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, concerning TransCanada PipeLines Limited's gas pipeline rates or tolls.

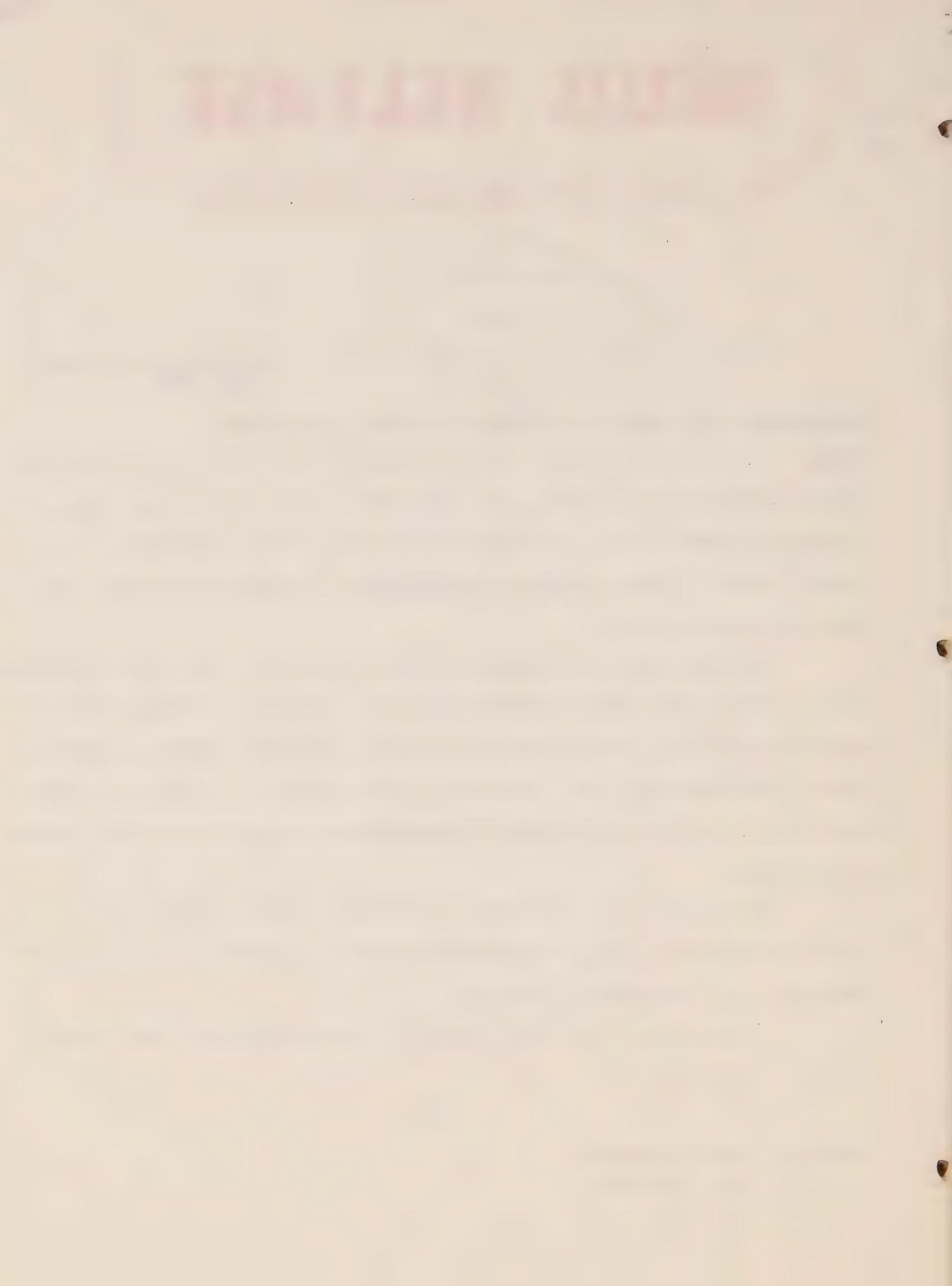
TransCanada has requested orders fixing the just and reasonable rates or tolls for transportation services rendered to Saskatchewan Power Corporation, Consolidated Natural Gas Limited, Sulpetro Limited and Gaz Métropolitain inc. Secondly, the company is requesting orders approving the price to be paid by TransCanada to acquire gas for removal from Alberta.

The Board will also inquire into any matters relevant to the pricing of natural gas in the domestic market in Canada, including the necessity for developmental prices.

The deadline for the filing of interventions has been set at Friday, 5 June 1981.

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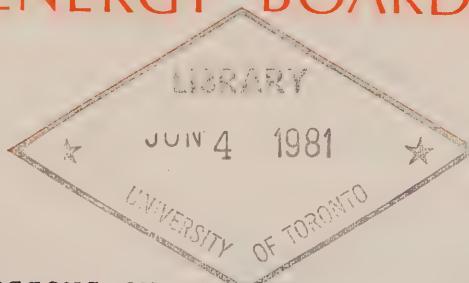
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26 May 1981

NEB RELEASES DECISIONS ON Foothills RIGHTS-OF-WAY APPLICATIONS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today the Reasons for Decisions approving applications made by Foothills Pipe Line s(Alta.) Ltd. and Foothills Pipe Lines (Sask.) Ltd. to take additional lands along the proposed rights-of-way of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline, between Caroline, Alberta and Monchy, Saskatchewan.

William A. Scotland, the Board's Designated Officer of the Northern Pipeline Agency, considered the evidence and argument presented at public hearings held at Calgary, Alberta on the Foothills' (Alta.) application, and at Shauvanon and Regina, Saskatchewan, on the Foothills' (Sask.) applications. In his decision, Mr. Scotland states that he is satisfied the taking of the additional lands is necessary for the efficient construction, maintenance and operation of the proposed pipeline.

In both cases, the applicants requested permanent pipeline rights-of-way of 29 metres is breadth and temporary working space of a maximum of 10 metres next to the right-of-way.

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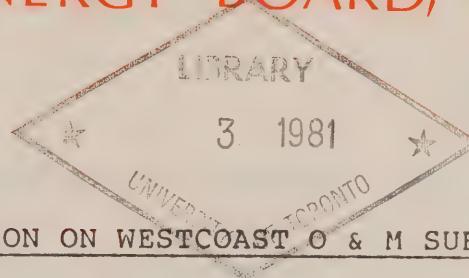
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NEB RELEASES DECISION ON WESTCOAST O & M SUBMISSION

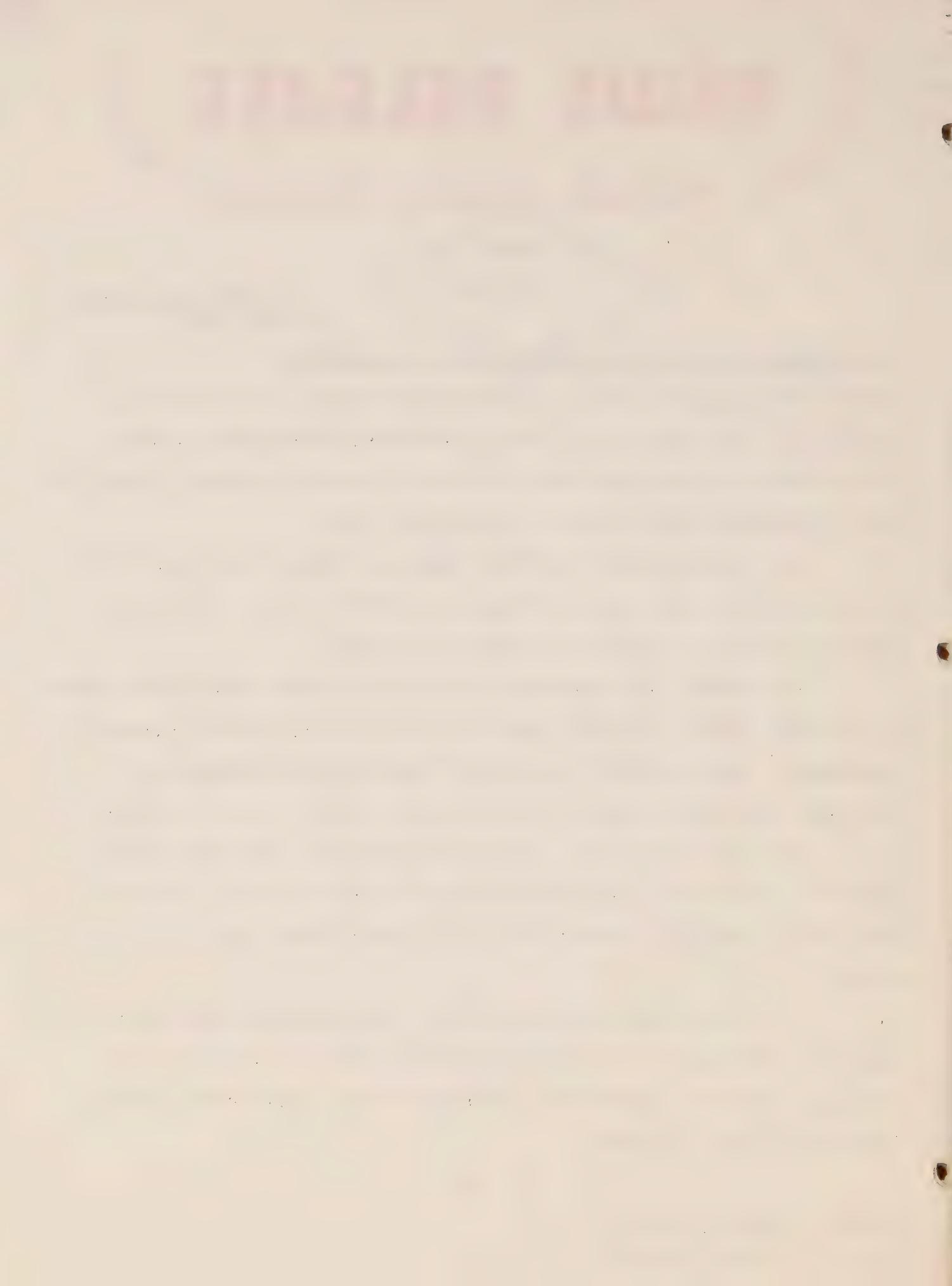
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision on the submission filed by Westcoast Transmission Company Limited setting forth its operating and maintenance expense budget for the twelve-month period ending 31 December 1981.

By its decision, the Board approved budgets totalling \$25.7 million for salaries, wages and benefits, \$27.8 million for other expenses, and \$2.6 million for contingent items.

The Board also examined two aspects of the scheme established by Order No. TG-5-79 for the regulation of the tolls being charged by Westcoast. Those were the control of operating and maintenance expenses, and the addition of new items of plant to the rate base.

On the first aspect, the Board concluded that the existing method of controlling operating and maintenance expenses should be modified to establish budgets on a cost centre basis for the pipeline system.

On the second aspect, the Board concluded that Westcoast must apply for the approval of capital projects costs in excess of the original estimates approved by the Board before those costs may be included in the rate base.



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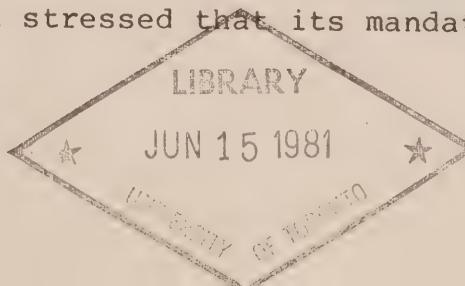
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3 June 1981

TRANS MOUNTAIN RECEIVES NEB APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF OIL PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it is prepared to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company, subject to Governor in Council approval, for the construction and operation of a 762 mm diameter crude oil pipeline of approximately 927 km extending from the International Boundary near Sumas, Washington to Edmonton, Alberta.

In a previous report released in January 1980 on the Trans Mountain application, the Board concluded that there was insufficient evidence before it at that time to assess the marine and coastal environmental risks to Canada associated with the operation of an American crude oil port and associated tanker traffic. Except for the possibility of this marine environmental impact, the Board would have been prepared to grant a certificate for the Trans Mountain pipeline. Accordingly, Trans Mountain was given the opportunity to prepare evidence for a rehearing limited to marine impacts.

In rendering its decision based on new evidence adduced at the rehearing the Board stressed that its mandate was to



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determine whether there was a reasonable likelihood that construction and operation of the pipeline would expose the marine and coastal environment of Canada's west coast to an unacceptable increase in the risk of oil spill damage. On the basis of the evidence, the Board concluded that the risk of oil spill damage from tankers in the inner waters of Puget Sound would be decreased by the pipeline supply to the several U.S. Puget Sound refineries from a single port outside the Sound, which Trans Mountain proposes as an integral part of its project.

Among the conditions set out in the Reasons for Decision, therefore, is that before the company may commence construction of the pipeline in Canada it must file with the Board copies of the appropriate U.S. regulatory authorizations for construction of the Low Point oil port and related pipeline facilities in the State of Washington, and evidence demonstrating to the satisfaction of the Board that the port and facilities will be used to supply in whole or in part the crude oil requirements of the U.S. Puget Sound refineries at Ferndale, Anacortes and Cherry Point.

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CHARGES ON BULK EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - JUNE 1981

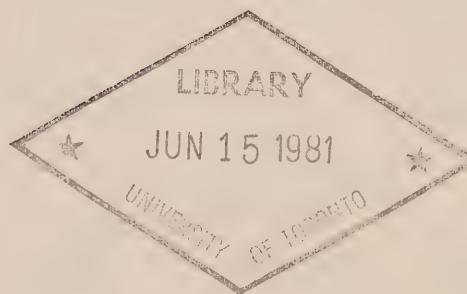
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of June, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

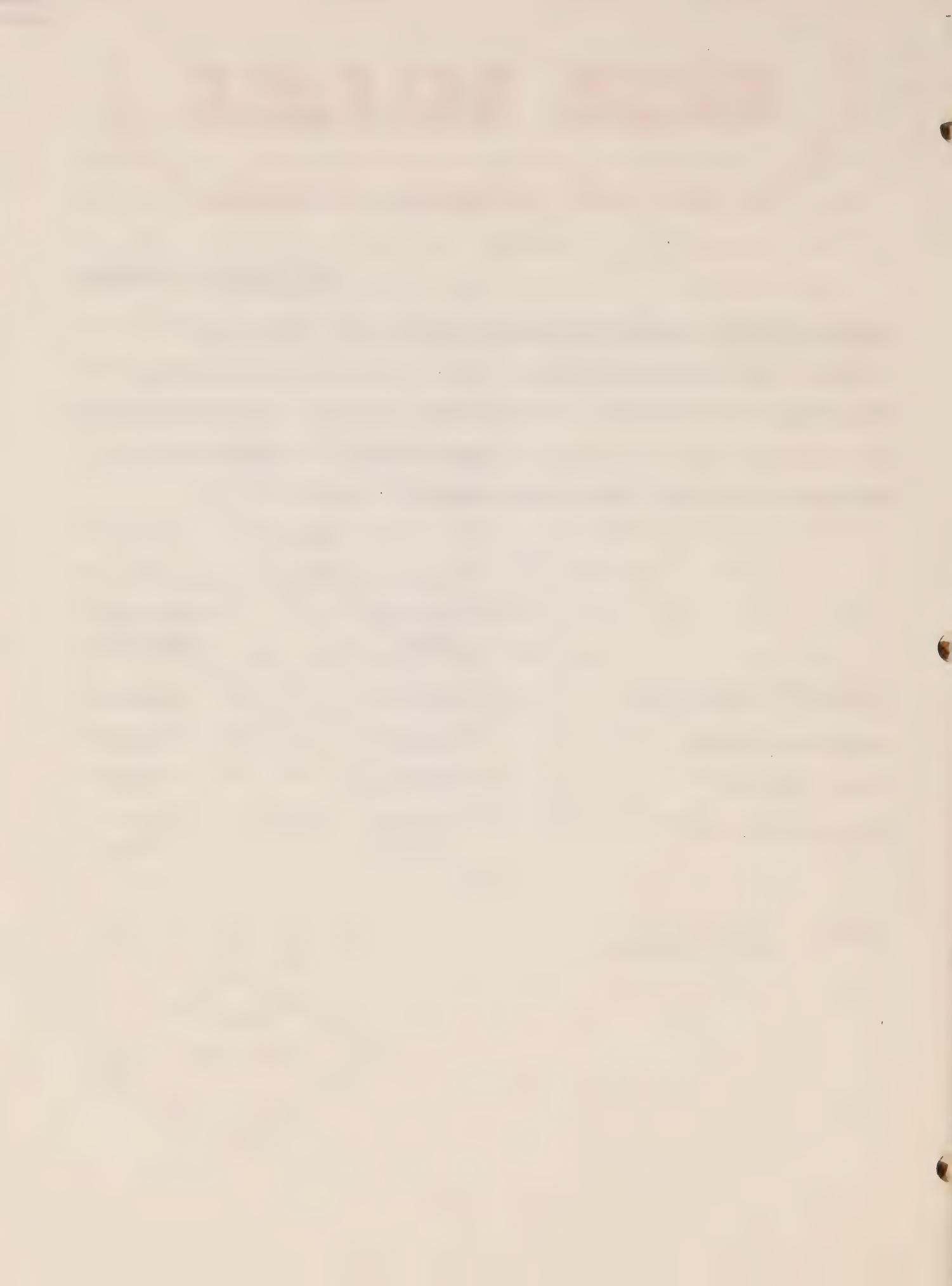
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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for June, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	124.30	109.50
middle distillate	107.90	100.35
heavy fuel oil	83.70	68.90
partially processed oil	107.90	100.35

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TRANSPORTATION FUEL COMPENSATION RECOVERY CHARGES - JUNE 1981

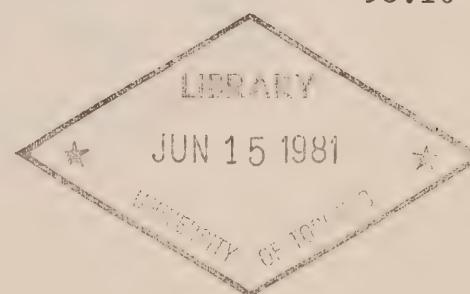
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of June, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following transportation fuel compensation recovery charges be applied on fuel consumed in international transportation:

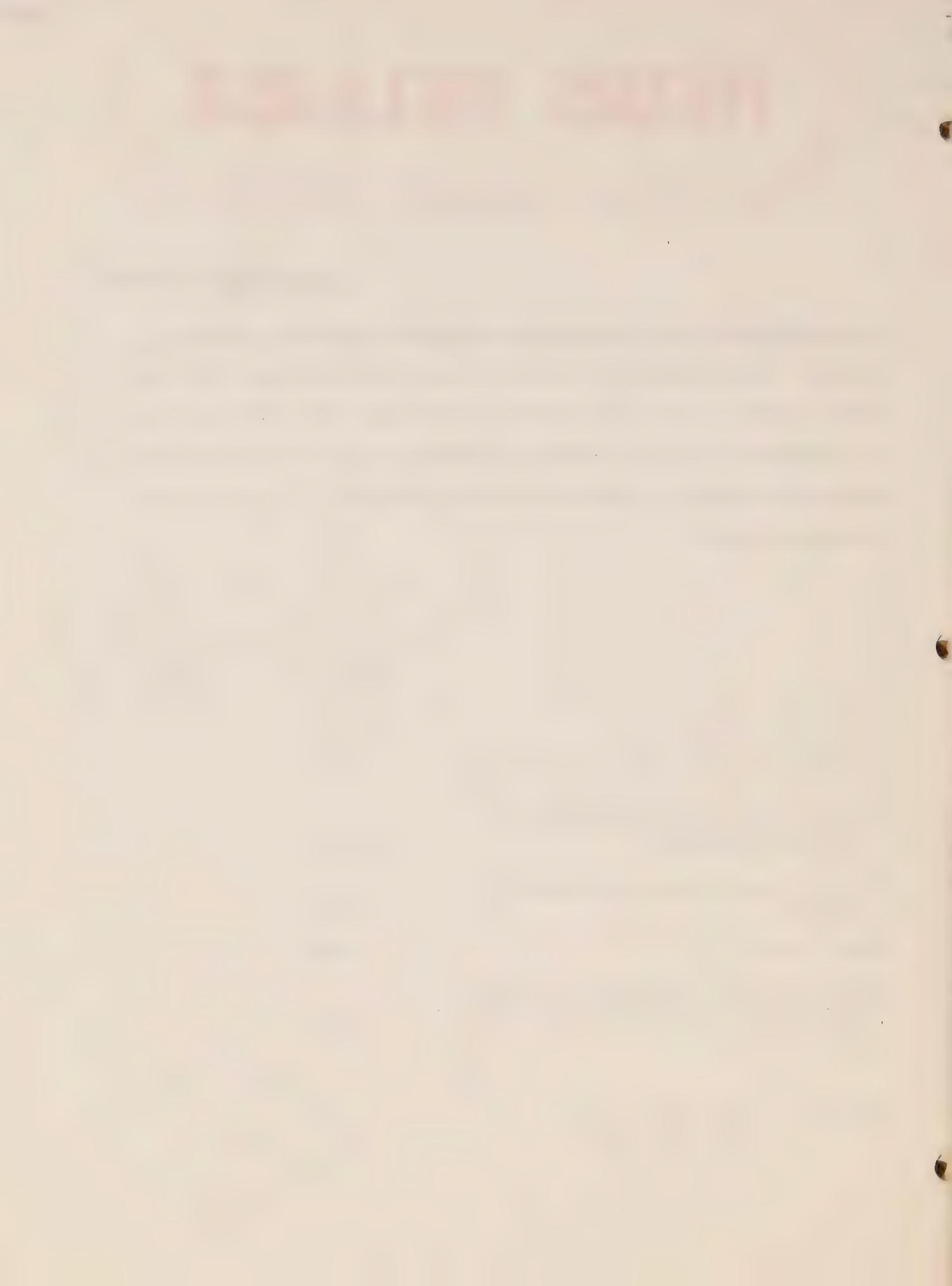
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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for June, 1981</u>
Jet A and Jet B	107.90	93.10
Marine Diesel from British Columbia	87.15	72.35
Marine Diesel consumed by foreign registered vessels from the Atlantic Provinces	107.90	93.10
Marine Diesel from other areas of Canada	107.90	86.85
Heavy Fuel Oil	36.80	22.05
Heavy Fuel Oil consumed by foreign registered vessels from the Atlantic Provinces	107.90	93.10

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NEB SETS HEARING ON SARNIA TO WINDSOR PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing, starting August 14 in Sarnia, on an application by Dome NGL Pipeline Ltd. of Calgary for a certificate to reconstruct an existing "left-in-place" pipeline and to use this line for the transportation of natural gas liquids from Sarnia to Windsor. The pipeline is approximately 82 miles in length and 12 inches in diameter; it was originally built in 1973 but not placed in service.

The Company submits that, by undertaking certain repairs and construction, the pipeline can be made serviceable at an operating pressure of 720 psig. A deadline of July 5 has been set for the filing of interventions.



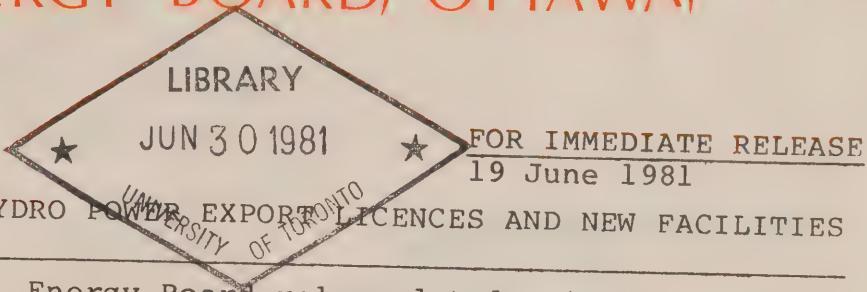
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NEB GRANTS ONTARIO HYDRO POWER EXPORT LICENCES AND NEW FACILITIES
CERTIFICATE



19 June 1981

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision approving an application by Ontario Hydro for the following power export licences, a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a proposed international power line, and an order to amend an existing certificate. The application was the subject of a public hearing in Ottawa in March 1981. The export licences are for:

- Unscheduled circulating equichange for simultaneous return to Canada up to 10 000 GW.h yearly from 1 July 1981 to 31 December 1995;
- Interruptible power and energy up to 20 000 GW.h yearly from 1 July 1981 to 31 December 1983 and 25 000 GW.h yearly from 1 January 1984 to 30 June 1991, less the actual exports under the miscellaneous firm licence described below;
- Miscellaneous firm power of up to 1 200 MW and energy up to 10 500 GW.h yearly from 1 July 1981 to 30 June 1991.

The Board also issued to Ontario Hydro a certificate for the construction and operation of a new double-circuit 345 kV 60 Hz international power line of approximately 0.91 kilometres in length at Niagara Falls.

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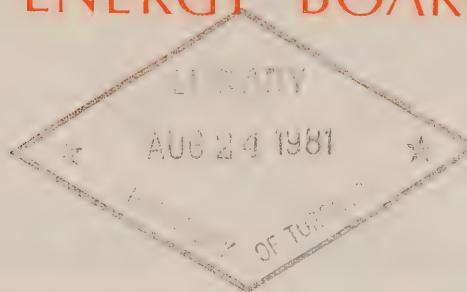
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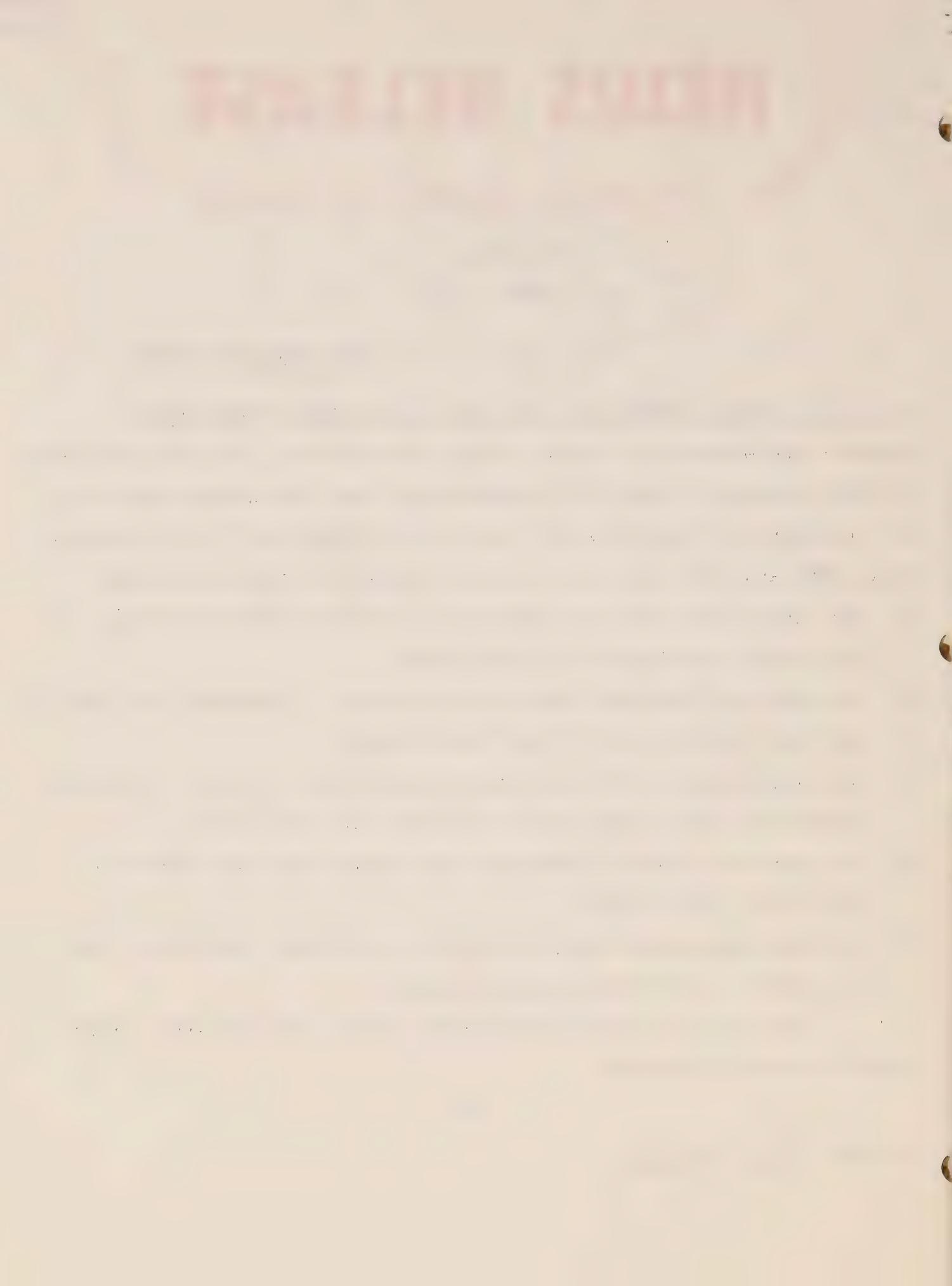
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JULY 1981, EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT HYDROCARBONS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his recommendation that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of July, 1981 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

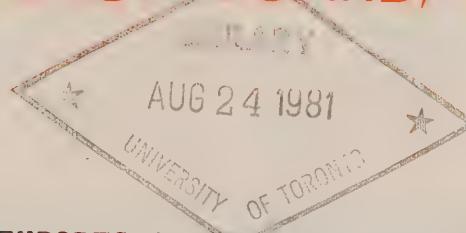
1. For light crude oil and condensate, a decrease from \$196.55 per cubic metre to \$183.95 per cubic metre.
2. For crude oil produced from Del Bonita well, a decrease from \$183.35 per cubic metre to \$170.75 per cubic metre.
3. For Lloydminster, and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends, a decrease from \$129.20 per cubic metre to \$122.90 per cubic metre.
4. For Fosterton crude, a decrease from \$139.05 per cubic metre to \$129.55 per cubic metre.
5. For other designated heavy crude oils, a decrease from \$143.15 per cubic metre to \$136.85 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the new tariff reflects the current crude oil market situation.



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CHARGES ON BULK EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - JULY 1981

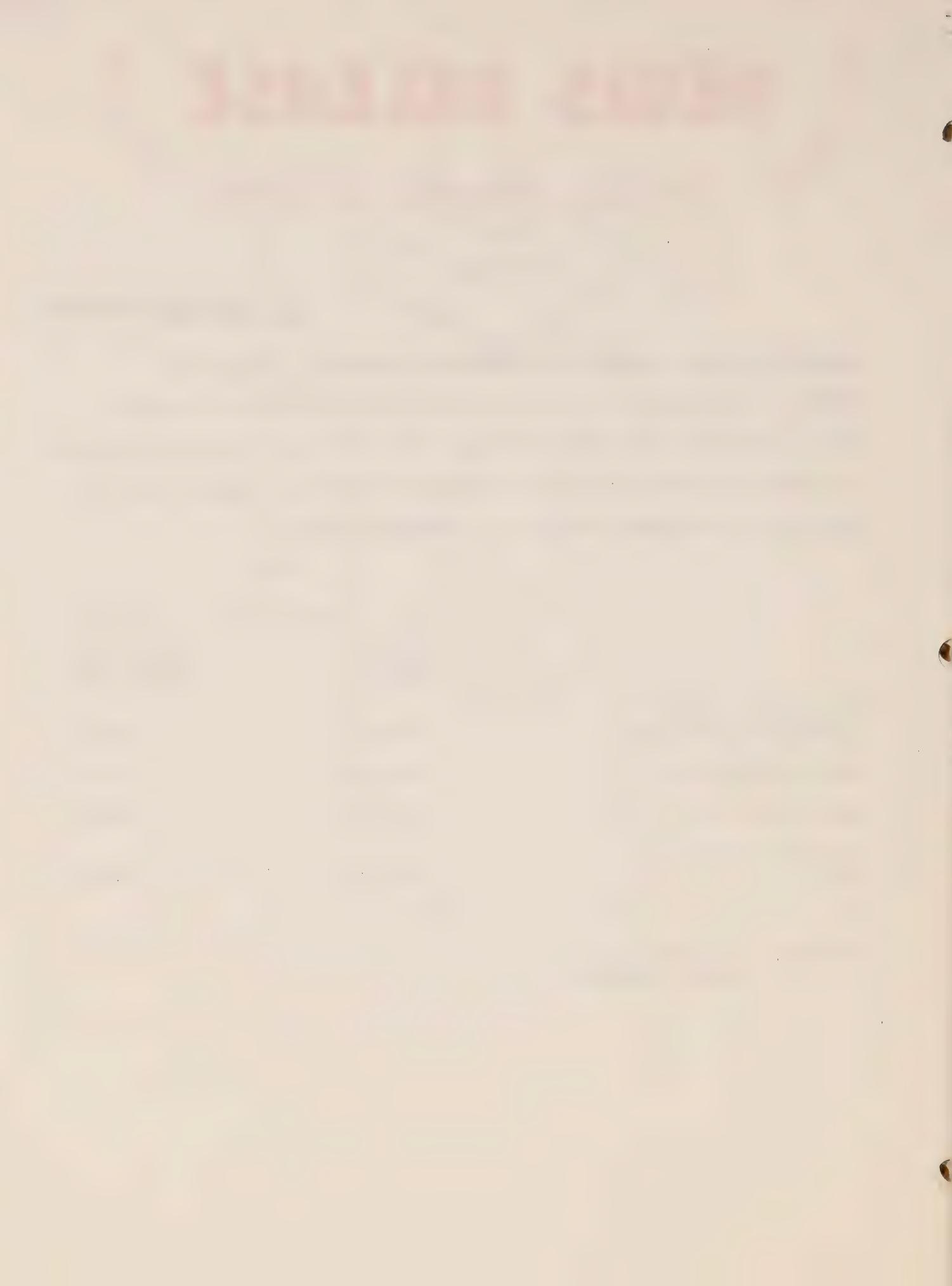
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of July, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

\$/m³

	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for July, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	109.50	109.50
middle distillate	100.35	90.30
heavy fuel oil	68.90	56.30
partially processed oil	100.35	90.30

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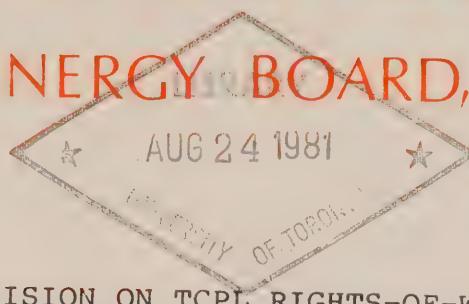
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NEB RELEASES DECISION ON TCPL RIGHTS-OF-WAY APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for leave to expropriate additional temporary and permanent servitudes of varying widths from Saint-Lazare to Boisbriand, Québec, for the efficient construction, operation and maintenance of the pipeline authorized under Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. GC-64, dated 21 March 1980.

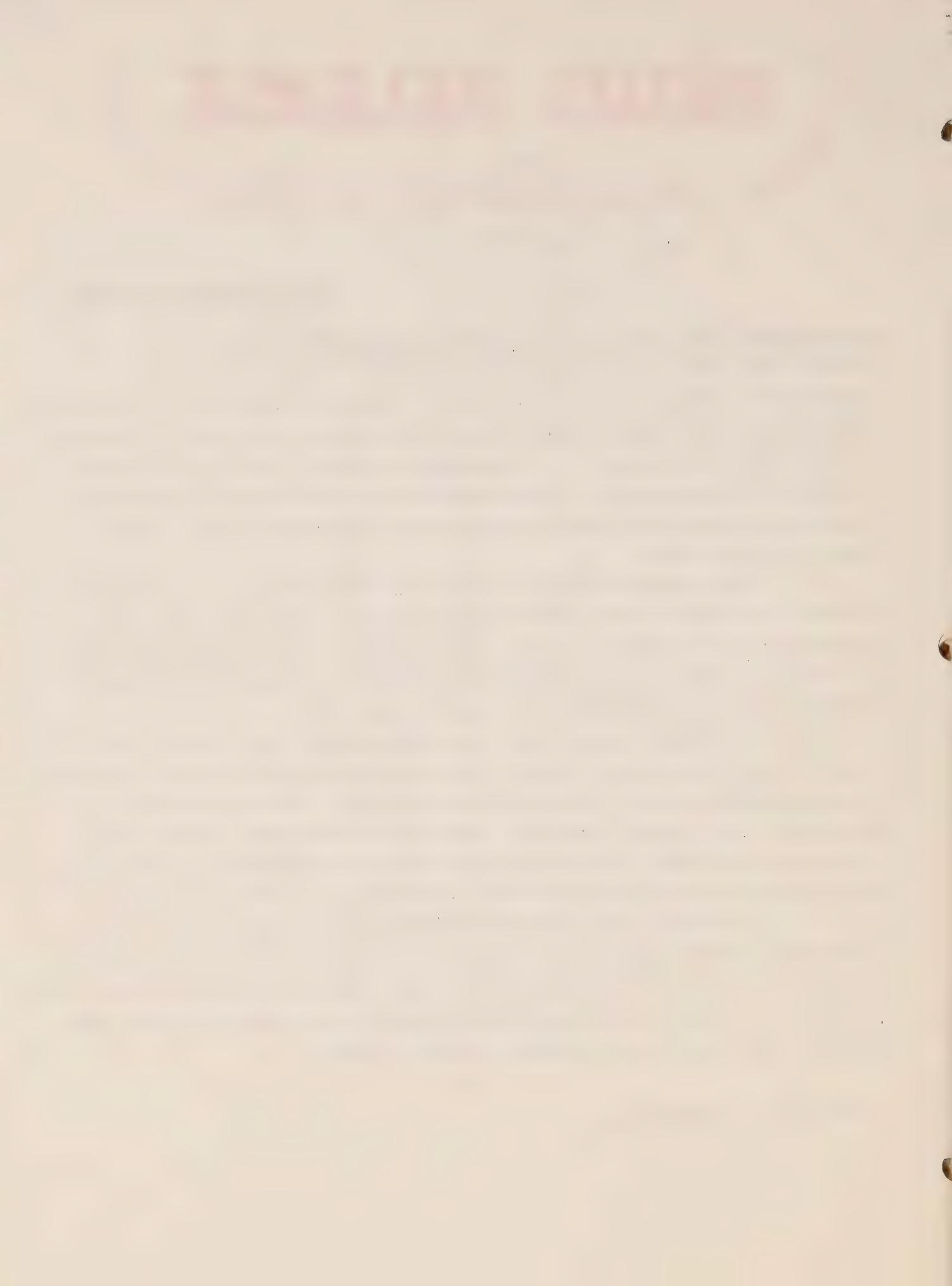
This pipeline will traverse 160 properties. TransCanada secured right-of-way by negotiation with the landowners for 139 properties or 87% of the total. The remaining 21 properties or 13% of the total made up the cases considered by the Board at a public hearing held in St-Eustache on 2 and 3 June 1981.

The Board found that since TransCanada has changed the location of the mainline from a mostly rural-farmland area to a more urban-developed area, to satisfy agricultural and environmental concerns, the company needs the additional permanent right-of-way along the mainline (23 metres total width) to maintain a safe distance between the pipeline and neighbouring installations.

The Board also approved TransCanada's request for additional temporary working rights of varying widths for a period of time ending on 31 December 1982. The temporary working rights are needed at certain locations along the mainline route and along most of the length of the Boisbriand Lateral route.

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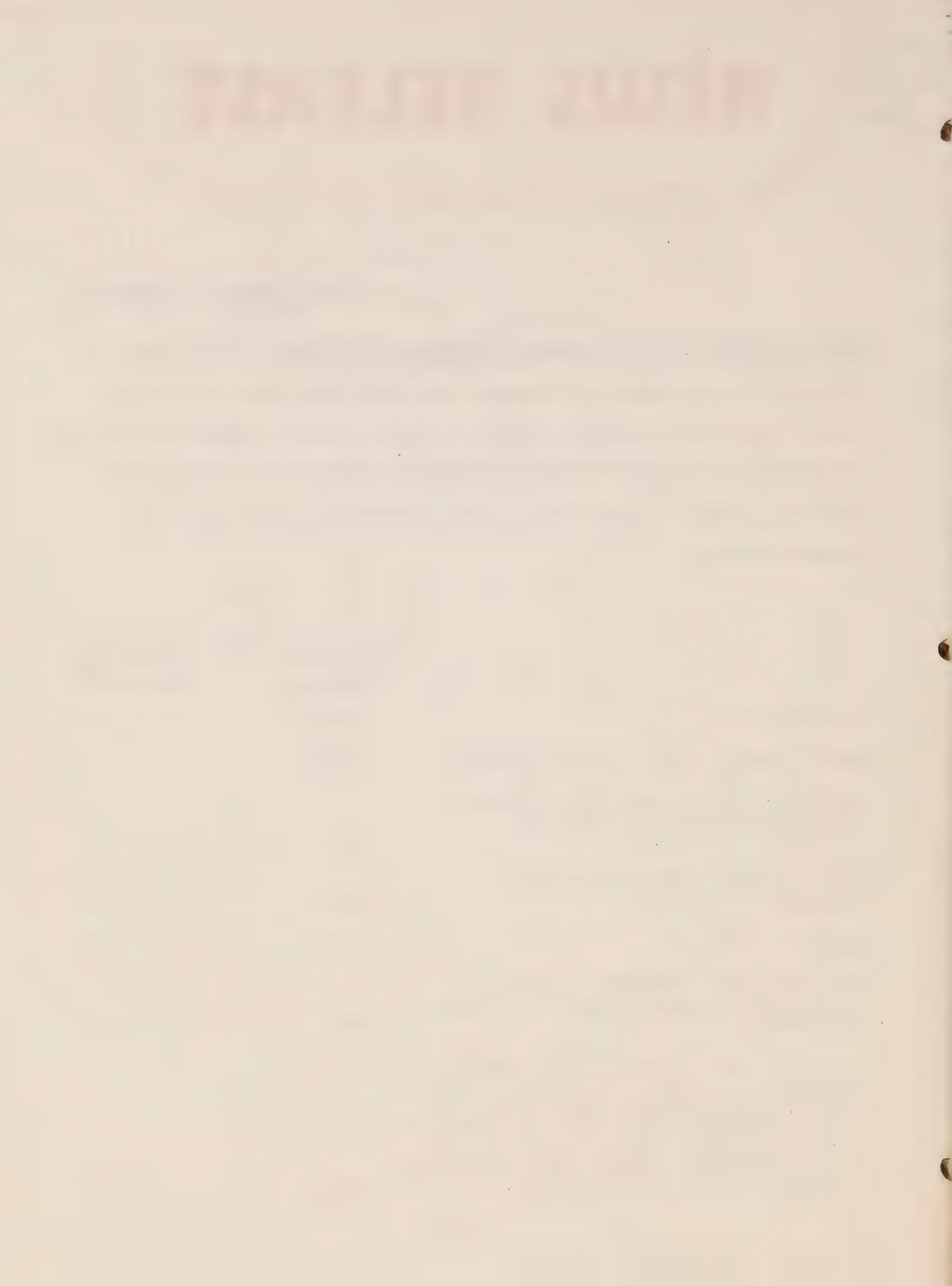
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7 July 1981

TRANSPORTATION FUEL COMPENSATION RECOVERY CHARGES - JULY 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of July, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following transportation fuel compensation recovery charges be applied on fuel consumed in international transportation:

\$/m³

	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for July, 1981</u>
Jet A and Jet B	93.10	93.10
Marine Diesel from British Columbia	72.35	66.10
Marine Diesel consumed by foreign registered vessels from the Atlantic Provinces	93.10	93.10
Marine Diesel from other areas of Canada	86.85	80.55
Heavy Fuel Oil	22.05	22.05
Heavy Fuel Oil consumed by foreign registered vessels from the Atlantic Provinces	93.10	93.10
In cases where a company has imported since May 1, 1981, a petroleum product and received import compensation and from the same region (Atlantic Provinces British Columbia, and other areas of Canada) exports a like product for use in international transportation.	93.10	93.10



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17 July 1981.

NEB APPROVES 1981 FACILITIES APPLICATION BY TCPL

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved the application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for a certificate to construct and operate additional gas pipeline facilities.

The application was the subject of a public hearing held in Ottawa in May.

The Board has issued a certificate for looping as follows: Western Section, 22.9 km; Montreal Line, 12.7 km; St. Mathieu Extension, 37.6 km and Niagara Line 43.7 km. Further, on the Montreal Line it has approved the installation of two 3-MW compressor units.

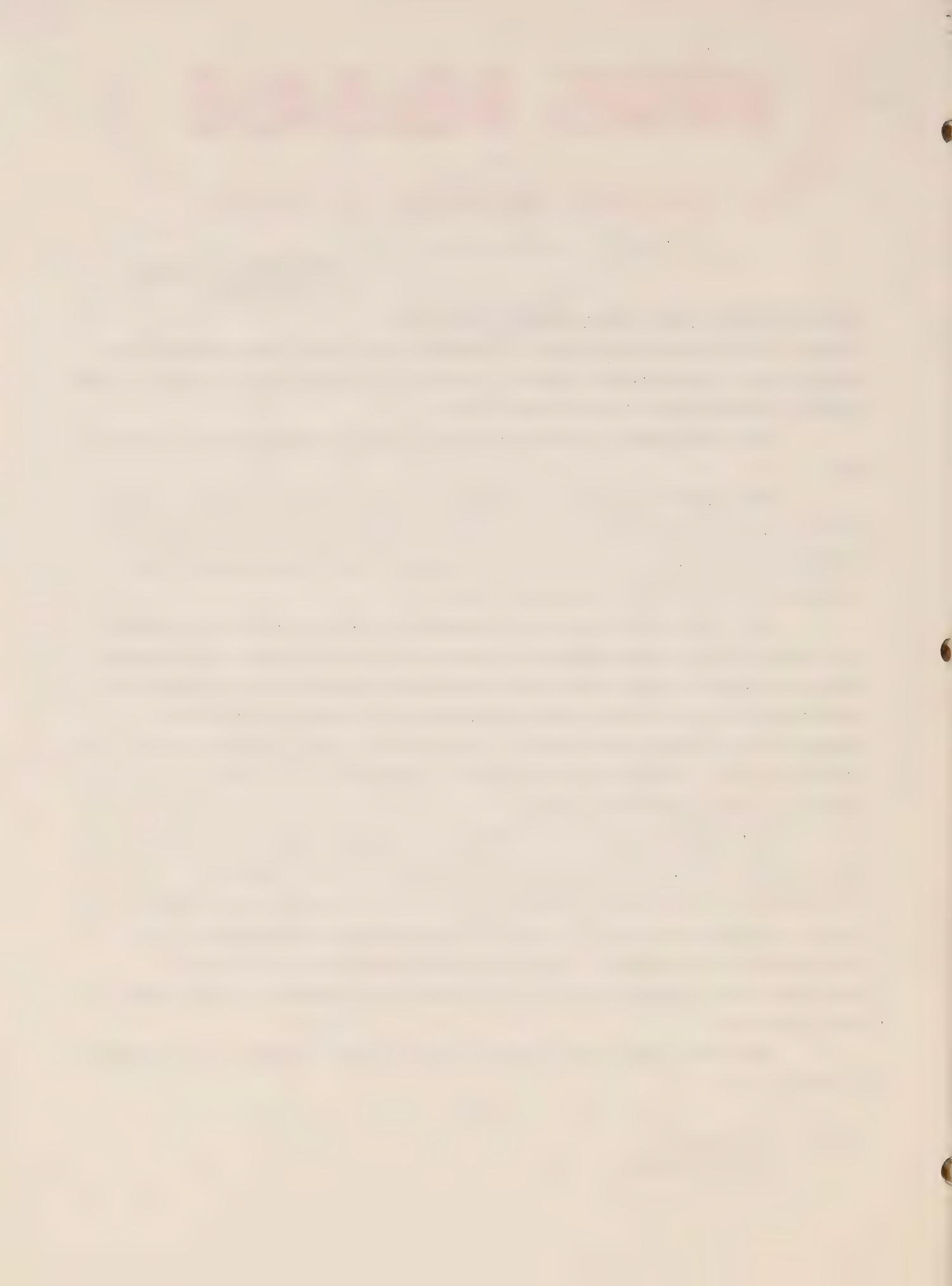
The rest of the facilities applied for, namely 165.3 km of loop in the Western Section, six compressor units and 61.0 km of loop in the Central Section are part of those which were authorized previously by the Board in Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. GC-66, subject to a precondition requiring TransCanada to demonstrate, prior to construction, that satisfactory U.S. authorizations had been received for the import of certain volumes of gas licensed for export.

The Board stated in its Reasons for Decision that it was now satisfied that these facilities will be required to meet sales and transportation requirements forecast for the 1981-82 contract year and to provide a reasonable margin of excess system capability regardless of the export volumes. Accordingly, the Board amended Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. GC-66 to remove the precondition with respect to these facilities.

The total cost of the construction of these facilities is estimated at \$343 million.

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NEB RELEASES DECISIONS ON Foothills RIGHTS-OF-WAY APPLICATIONS

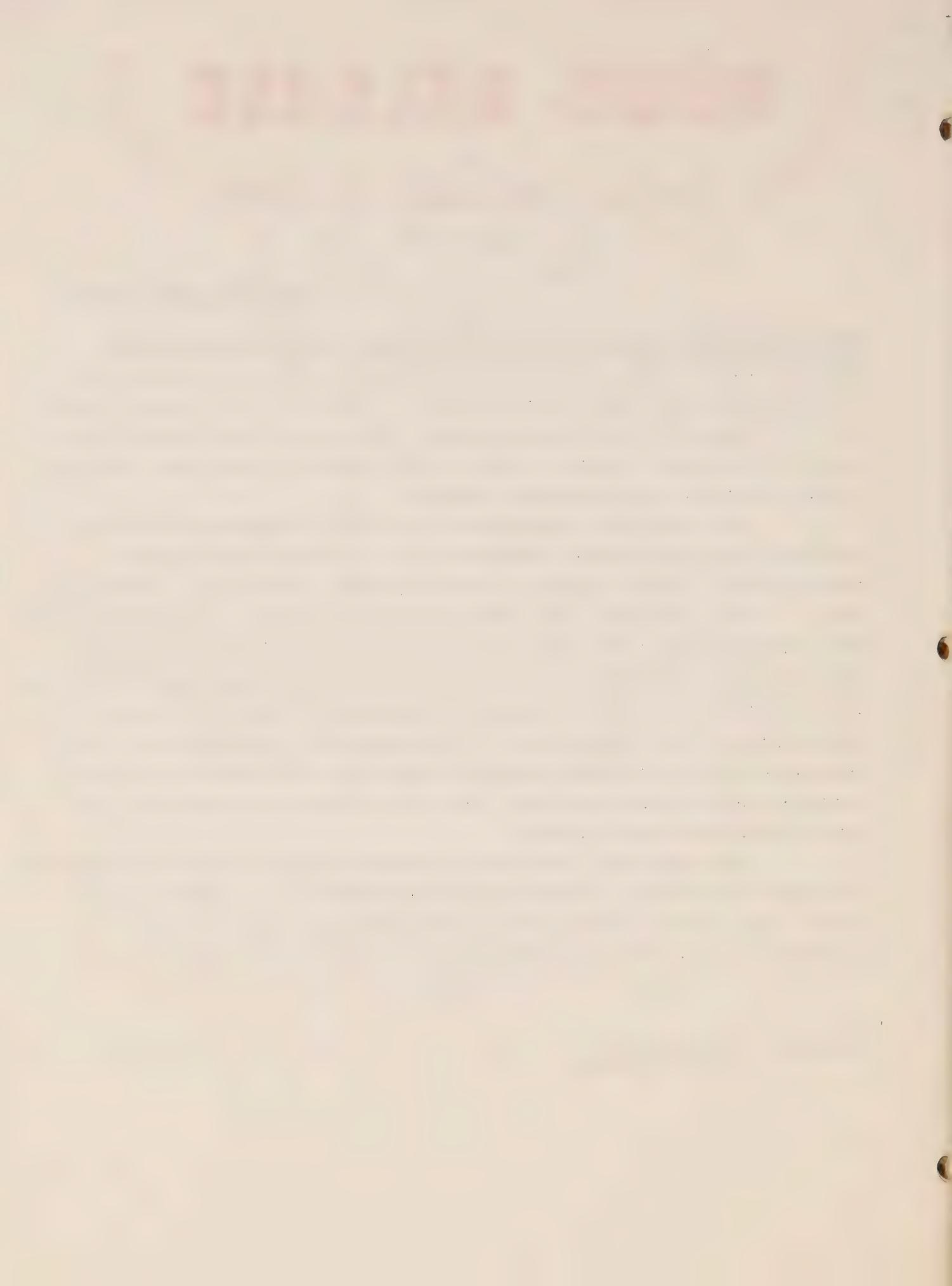
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today the Reasons for Decision approving applications made by Foothills Pipe Lines (Alta.) Ltd. and Foothills Pipe Lines (Sask.) Ltd. to take additional lands along the proposed rights-of-way of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline between Caroline and Empress, Alberta.

Mr. William A. Scotland, the Board's Designated Officer, Northern Pipeline Agency, considered the evidence and argument presented at a public hearing held at Brooks, Alberta on 5 February 1981. In his decision, Mr. Scotland states that he is satisfied that the taking of the additional lands is required for the efficient construction, maintenance and operation of the proposed pipeline. He states further that the proposal by Foothills (Alta.) to use an overlapping right-of-way with NOVA as permanent working space is a responsible and efficient method of reducing the combined width of right-of-way and the total new land which would otherwise be used during pipeline construction.

The Applicant requested permanent pipeline rights-of-way of 29 metres in breadth, temporary working space of a maximum of 10 metres next to the right-of-way, and additional lands at the crossings of the Matzhiwin Creek and the South Saskatchewan River.

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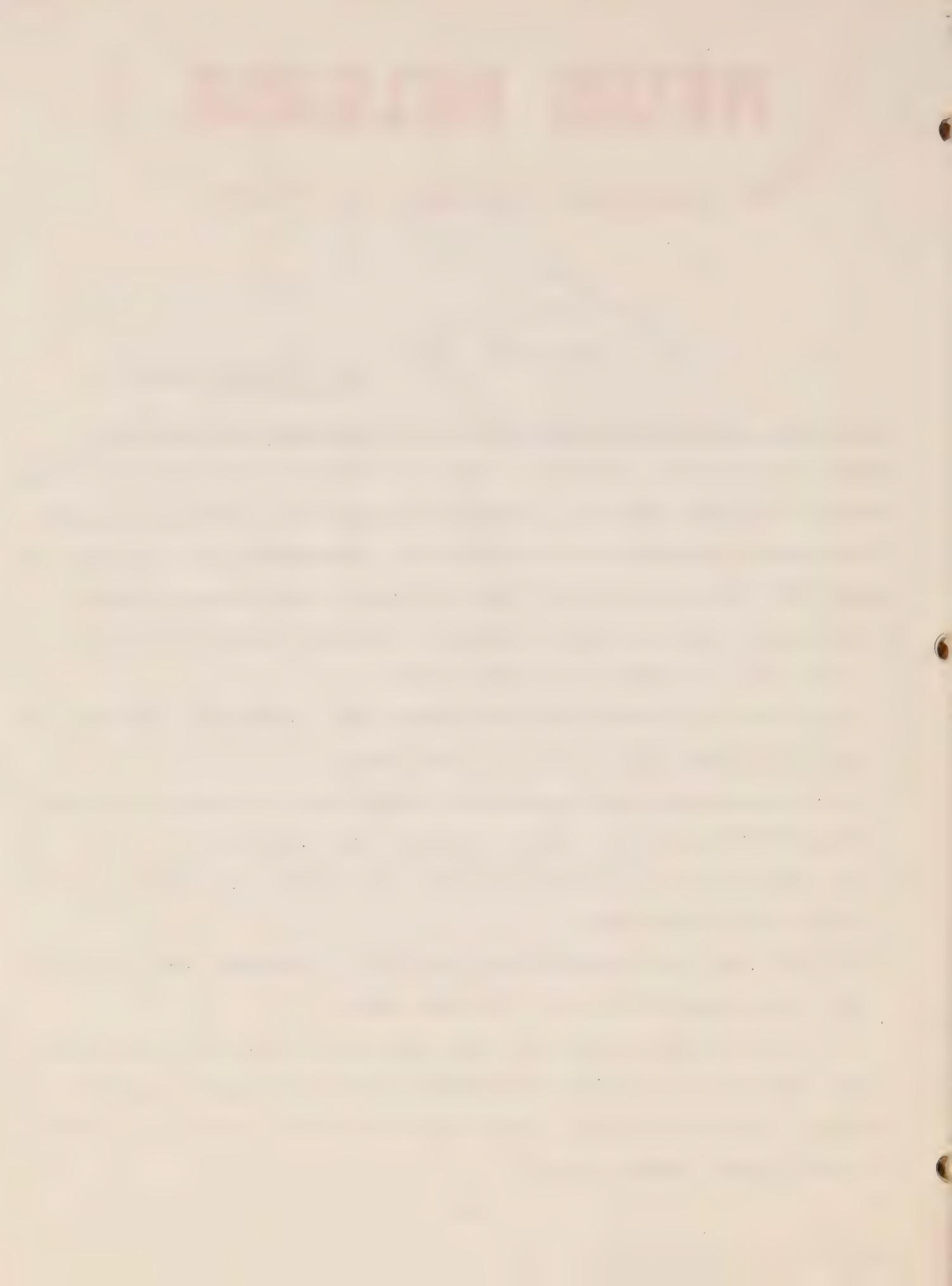
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AUGUST 1981, EXPORT CHARGES ON CRUDE OIL & EQUIVALENT HYDROCARBONS

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, The Honourable Marc Lalonde, announced today his recommendation that the charges applicable to the export of crude oils and equivalent hydrocarbons for the month of August, 1981 and until further notice be set at the following levels:

1. For light crude oil and condensate, a decrease from \$183.95 per cubic metre to \$165.05 per cubic metre.
2. For crude oil produced from Del Bonita well, a decrease from \$170.75 per cubic metre to \$151.85 per cubic metre.
3. For Lloydminster, and Wainwright-Viking-Kinsella blends, a decrease from \$122.90 per cubic metre to \$108.70 per cubic metre.
4. For Fosterton crude, a decrease from \$129.55 per cubic metre to \$115.35 per cubic metre.
5. For the other designated heavy crude oils, a decrease from \$136.85 per cubic metre to \$122.65 per cubic metre.

The Minister stated that the new tariff reflects a reassessment of the competitive situation of Canadian oils in the current market situation, as well as taking account of the general increase in Canadian well-head prices effective July 1.



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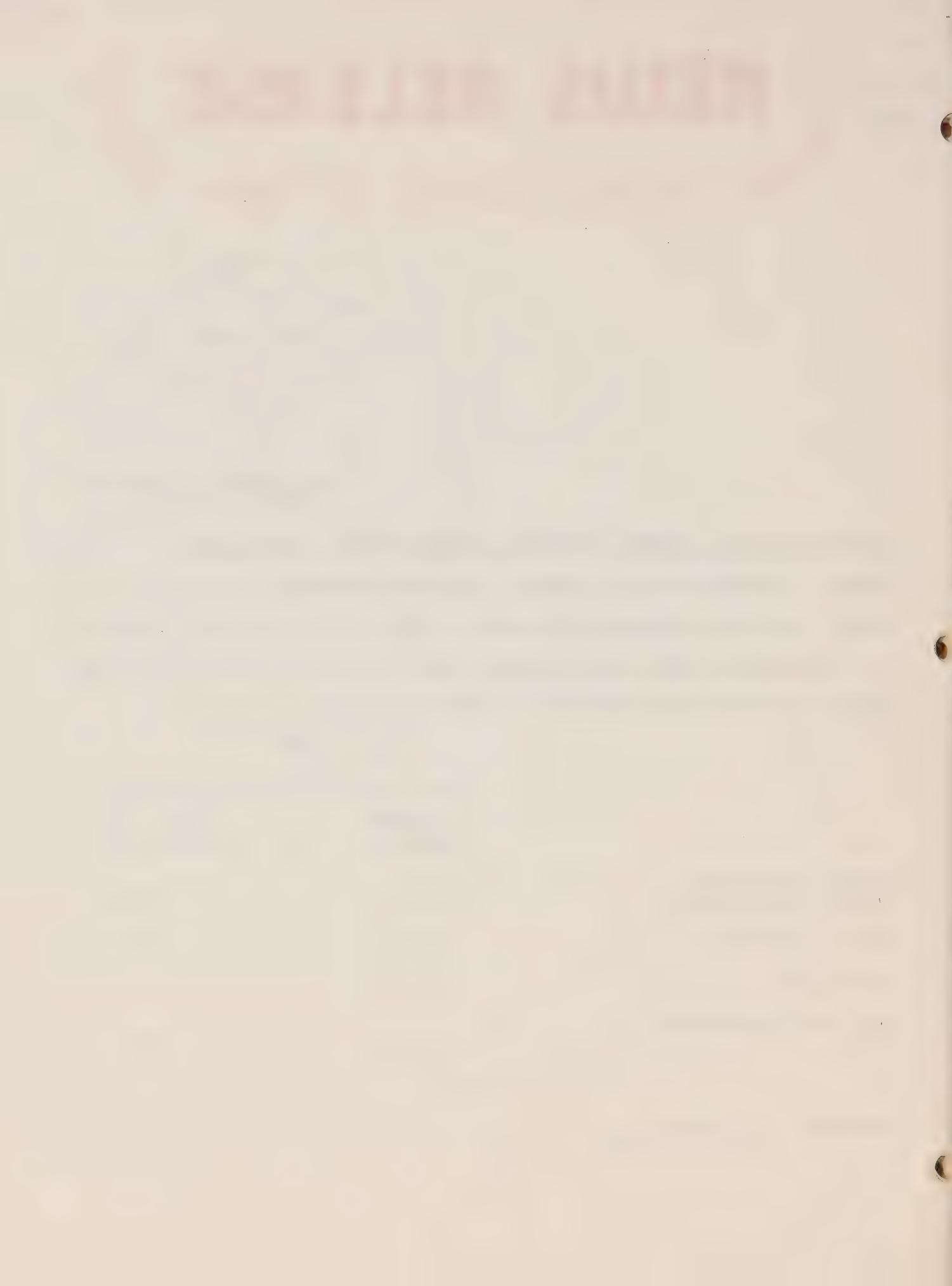
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of August, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for August, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	109.50	103.20
middle distillate	90.30	93.15
heavy fuel oil	56.30	37.45
partially processed oil	90.30	86.85

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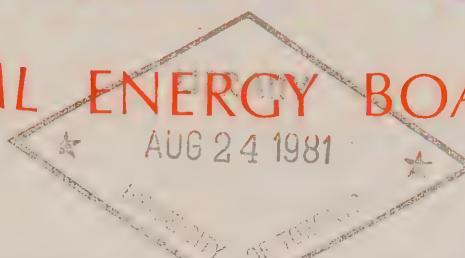
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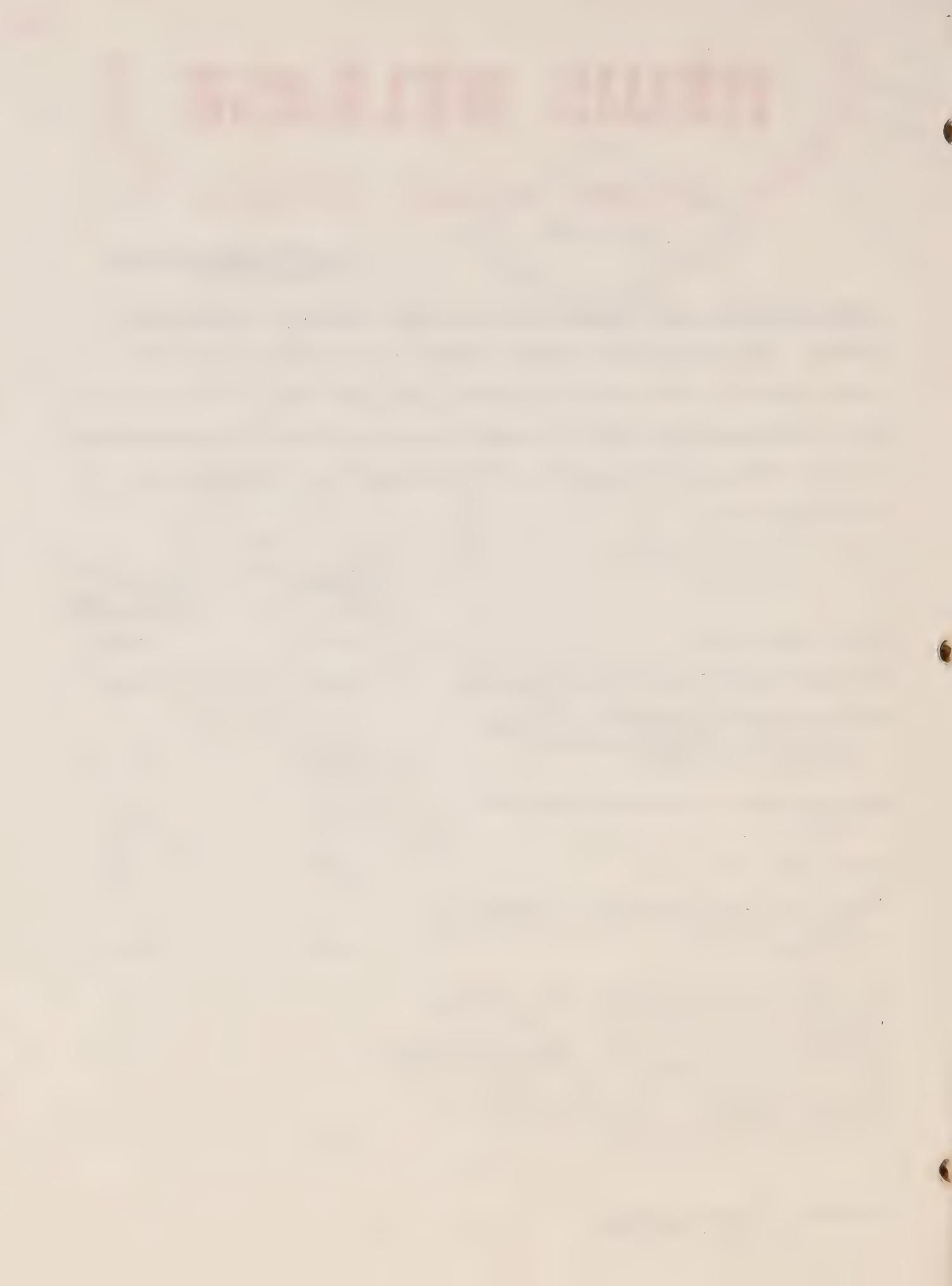
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TRANSPORTATION FUEL COMPENSATION RECOVERY CHARGES - AUGUST 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of August, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following transportation fuel compensation recovery charges be applied on fuel consumed in international transportation:

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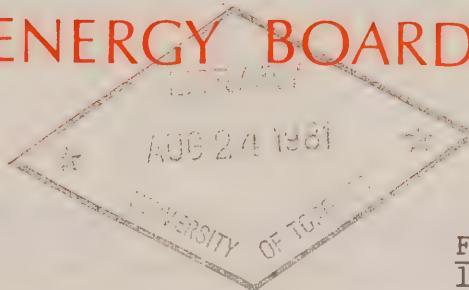
	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for August, 1981</u>
Jet A and Jet B	93.10	93.10
Marine Diesel from British Columbia	66.10	59.80
Marine Diesel consumed by foreign registered vessels from the Atlantic Provinces	93.10	93.10
Marine Diesel from other areas of Canada	80.55	74.25
Heavy Fuel Oil	22.05	22.05
Heavy Fuel Oil consumed by foreign registered vessels from the Atlantic Provinces	93.10	93.10
In cases where a company has, either in the month of export or in the three previous months imported a petroleum product, received import compensation and from the same region (Atlantic Provinces British Columbia, and other areas of Canada) exports a like product for use in international transportation.	93.10	93.10



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FOR RELEASE AT 4:00 P.M.
11 August 1981

NEB RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF NATURAL GAS PIPELINE TO MARITIMES

The National Energy Board released today its decision and Reasons for Decision on the application by Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline Inc. to construct new natural gas pipeline facilities in Quebec and the Maritimes. In May 1980, the Board denied a similar application by another company, Q & M Pipe Lines Ltd.

After studying evidence adduced at a public hearing held in Ottawa, Fredericton, Halifax and Quebec City in March and April 1981, the Board has decided to recommend approval of construction of about 740 kilometres of mainline and 1000 kilometres of laterals and sub-laterals to serve communities in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. In effect, the Board has recommended approval of all facilities applied for by TQM, except for certain compression facilities submitted to be required after 1985-86. The facilities will cost approximately \$360 million dollars and will extend from Lévis/Lauzon, near Quebec City, through Quebec and New Brunswick to Halifax and Glace Bay in Nova Scotia.

If the Governor in Council approves the Board's recommendation, the Board will issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to TQM. That certificate would include a number of conditions to give effect to the purposes and provisions of the National Energy Board Act, and to help the Board to discharge its continuing supervisory duty over the construction and operation of the pipeline.

In the Board's view, the pipeline should be built because the TQM project is an important means of protecting the Maritimes against possible interruptions in the supply of imported crude oil. The Board considers the contribution of the TQM project towards security of supply to be significant and finds this to be in the public interest.

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FOR RELEASE AT 4:00 p.m.
21 August 1981.

NEB RELEASES DECISION ON Foothills (Yukon) RATES

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its findings on the public hearing which was held in March and April of this year concerning, among other matters, the tolls to be charged by Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd. in the operation of the Western Leg of prebuilt facilities of the Canadian sections of the Alaska Highway Gas Pipeline Project.

In addition, this hearing dealt with certain matters arising from the 1979-1980 tariff hearing, resolution of which was required before operation of the Western Leg prebuilt facilities could commence. The scheduled date for commencement of operation, originally 1 May 1981, is now expected to be 1 October 1981.

The hearing also focused on the Final Design Cost Estimates for facilities being prebuilt in Zones 7 and 8, the Western Leg, and Zones 6 and 9, the Eastern Leg. The review was necessary prior to the acceptance by the Board of these estimates as the base on which the Company's cost control performance would be measured under the Incentive Rate of Return Scheme approved by the Board in its decision on the tariff hearing.

The total estimates as filed for the Western and Eastern legs came to \$167,379,000 and \$653,942,000 respectively, covering construction of 213 km of pipeline and a meter station in the Western Leg and 635.4 km of pipeline, three compressor stations and a meter station in the Eastern Leg. The Board disallowed about 2 per cent of the estimates for the Western Leg and about 5 per cent for the Eastern Leg.

For rate base purposes the Board has authorized Foothills (Yukon) to include preliminary and construction expenditures incurred during the year ended 31 December 1980, for a total of \$158,088,000, as applied for by the Company, subject to certain adjustments. Further, subject to revision in a future proceeding, the Company's estimate of costs to be incurred after

1 January 1981 to complete construction of the prebuilt facilities in Zones 7 and 8 was accepted as reasonable by the Board.

Finally, in reviewing the cost of service toll for Zones 7 and 8 for 1981, the Board approved the Operating and Maintenance Budgets as filed, but did not approve an application from the Company for a change in the method of calculation of the provision for income taxes at this time.

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FOR RELEASE AT 4:00 P.M.
24 AUGUST 1981

NEB RELEASES REASONS FOR DECISION ON TRANSCANADA RATES APPLICATION - PHASE I

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision on the application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for new tolls and tariffs to be effective 1 September 1981. This constituted Phase I of the public hearing.

The principal issue raised in TransCanada's application was a request for a change in the method of regulation by allowing the Company to recover its actual costs subject to minor restraints. The Board, however, decided to continue the existing scheme of regulation in which TransCanada is authorized to recover in its tolls for a forward twelve-month period the cost of service approved by the Board.

TransCanada will be provided with the opportunity to earn a return on equity of 15.75 per cent compared with 16.75 per cent applied for and 15.00 per cent previously authorized. The approved return on rate base is 12.63 per cent, compared with 11.10 per cent previously authorized.

With respect to the calculation of the toll for T-Service charged to Gaz Métro, the Board has accepted TransCanada's proposal to continue using the past procedure. In addition, the Board adjusted all tolls to be charged for transportation of gas for others to reflect the increased cost of service applicable in the test year.

The Governor in Council on 19 August 1981 prescribed a reduction in the imputed Alberta border price from 177.565 cents per gigajoule to 170.162 cents per gigajoule. No change is being made in the city gate prices of natural gas prescribed under the Petroleum Administration Act. Permitting TransCanada, however, to recover its newly authorized cost of service has resulted in the reduction in the price at which it buys gas at the Alberta border.

Phase II of the hearing commenced on 18 August 1981 and is an inquiry requested by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources into the domestic pricing of natural gas. Following the hearing, the Board will make recommendations to the Minister.



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NEB GRANTS TRANSCANADA'S APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION IN THE ROUTE OF THE GAS PIPELINE TO BE BUILT BETWEEN BOISBRIAND AND YAMACHICHE, IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has approved TransCanada's application for a modification in the route of the gas pipeline to be built between Boisbriand and Yamachiche, in the Province of Quebec.

TransCanada's application was made pursuant to Condition 2(2) of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. GC-65, which was issued by the Board on 15 May 1980 and authorized pipeline facilities from Boisbriand Junction to Lévis/Lauzon, in the Province of Quebec. Condition 2(2) of the certificate stated, in part, that TransCanada should not vary the design or location of the pipeline without the prior approval of the Board.

The application was filed following a study undertaken by TransCanada as directed by the Board in its April 1980 Reasons for Decision. The study addressed the concerns expressed by the Board and by groups within the Province of Quebec, including l'Union des producteurs agricoles du Québec and the Inter-ministerial Committee of the Province of Quebec.

The revised route proposed by TransCanada was established in an attempt to lessen the adverse impact on high quality agricultural soils and to use existing utility corridors for the building of the pipeline facilities. TransCanada considered several alternative routes and the proposed route modification was not challenged by any intervenor at the public hearing held in Trois-Rivières in June, 1981.

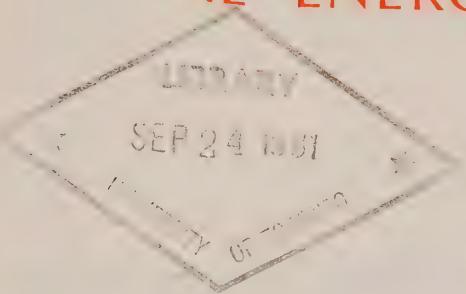
The Board indicated that it was not prepared, at this time, to grant TransCanada's application for a deviation of the route of the facilities between Yamachiche and Trois-Rivières, since the location of these facilities is dependent upon the location of pipeline facilities between Trois-Rivières and Quebec City.

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NEB SETS DOWN TRANSCANADA "NORTH BAY SHORTCUT" APPLICATION

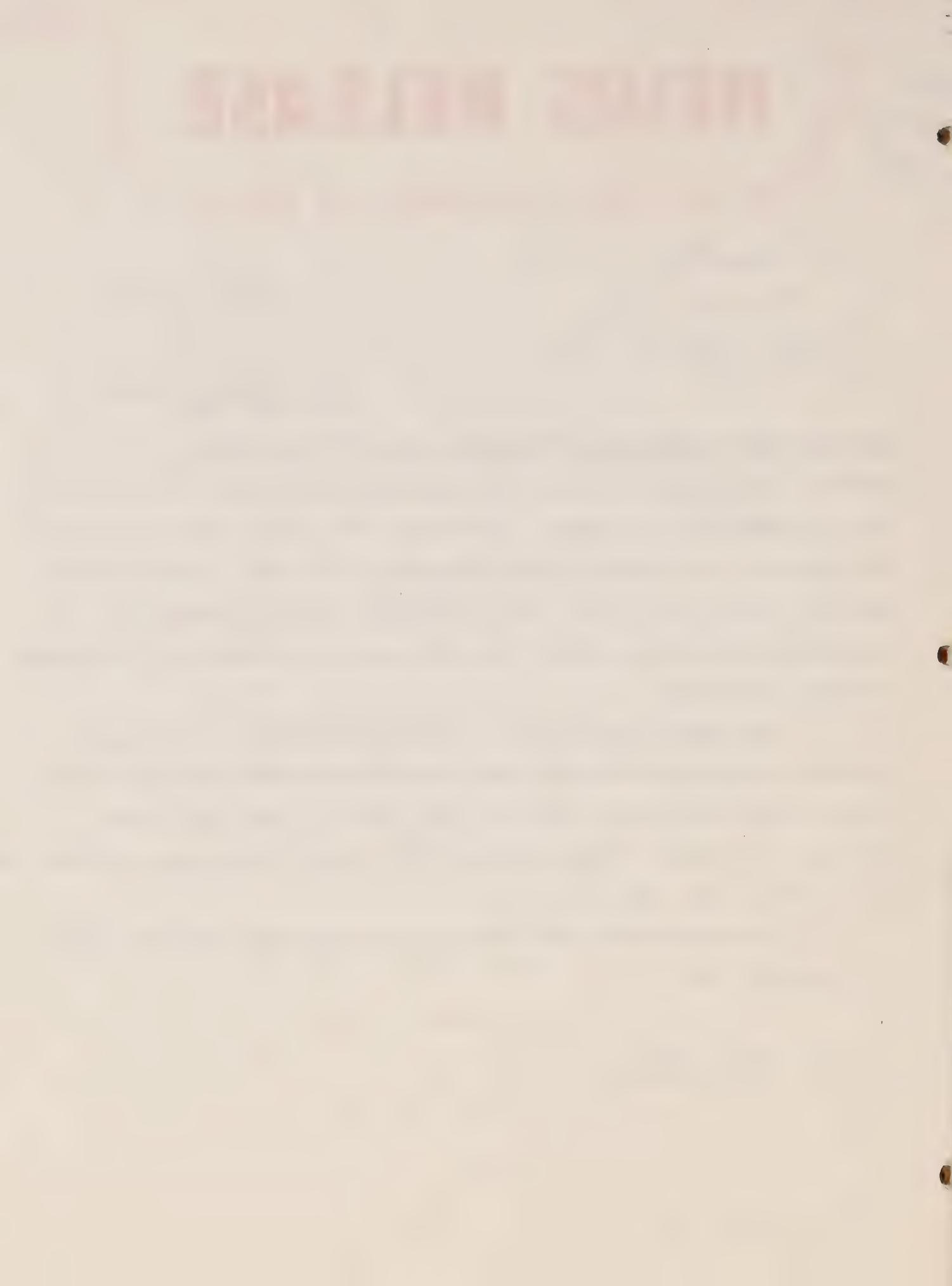
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a hearing commencing on Tuesday, 20 October 1981, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time, concerning the application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for authorization to construct and operate pipeline facilities.

The company proposes to construct additional natural gas pipeline facilities extending from Compressor Station 116 at North Bay, to the Ottawa Extension - Montreal Line junction near Morrisburg, Ontario, consisting of approximately 420.2 km of 914 mm pipe, referred to as the "North Bay Shortcut".

The deadline for the filing of interventions has been set at 30 September 1981.

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CHARGES ON BULK EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - SEPTEMBER 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of September, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

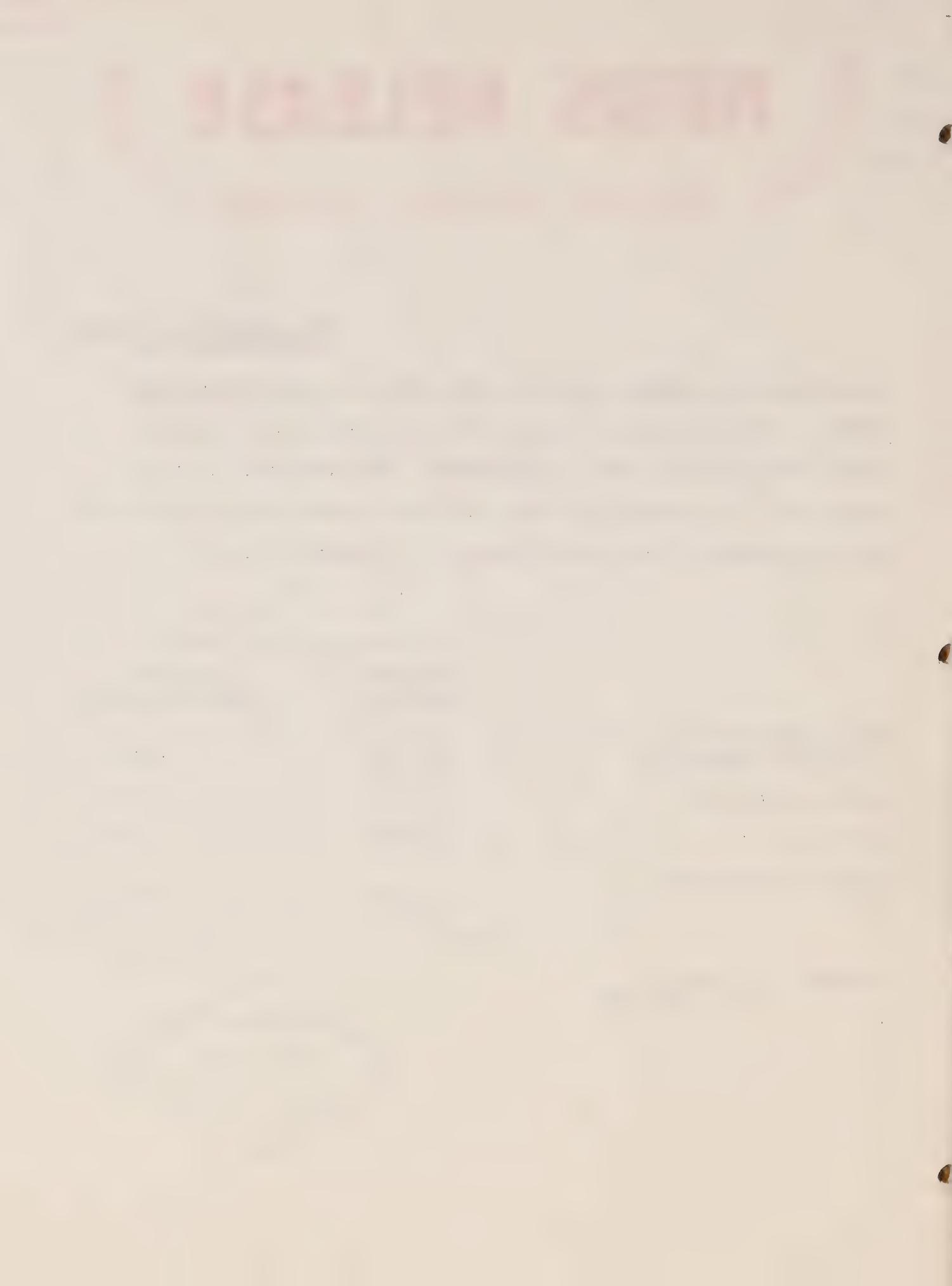
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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for September, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	103.20	103.20
middle distillate	93.15	93.15
heavy fuel oil	37.45	37.45
partially processed oil	86.85	91.25

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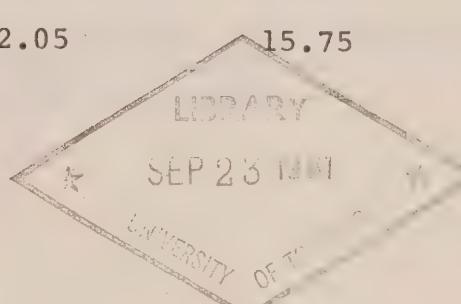
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2 September 1981

Transportation Fuel Compensation Recovery Charges - September, 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of September, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing the following transportation fuel compensation recovery charges be applied on fuel acquired in Canada and consumed in international transportation:

	\$/ m^3		
	<u>Previous Level</u>		<u>Level for September, 1981</u>
Aviation turbine fuels	93.10		93.10
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in British Columbia	59.80		59.80
Marine diesel/gasoil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	93.10		93.10
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in all other cases	74.25		74.25
Heavy fuel oil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	93.10		93.10
Heavy fuel oil delivered in all other cases	22.05		15.75
In cases where a company has, either in the month of export or in the three previous months imported a petroleum product, received import compensation, and from the same region defined as (i) the Atlantic Provinces, (ii) British Columbia, and (iii) other areas of Canada, furnishes transportation fuel of like kind for export	93.10		93.10





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TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED FILES 1982 FACILITIES APPLICATION

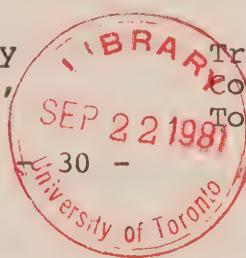
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it had received an application dated 31 August 1981 from TransCanada PipeLines Ltd. for a certificate to authorize the construction of additional pipeline facilities in 1982.

The Board is being asked to approve the construction for the Western Section in Saskatchewan and Manitoba of a total of 186.4 km of 1219 mm loop, for the Emerson Extension in Manitoba a total of 24.5 km of 914 mm loop and for the Central Section in Ontario a total of 81.2 km of 1067 mm loop.

TransCanada stated that these additional facilities, which would cost approximately \$304 million, are required to meet forecast sales and transportation requirements for the 1982-83 contract year and to provide a minimum level of advance capability.

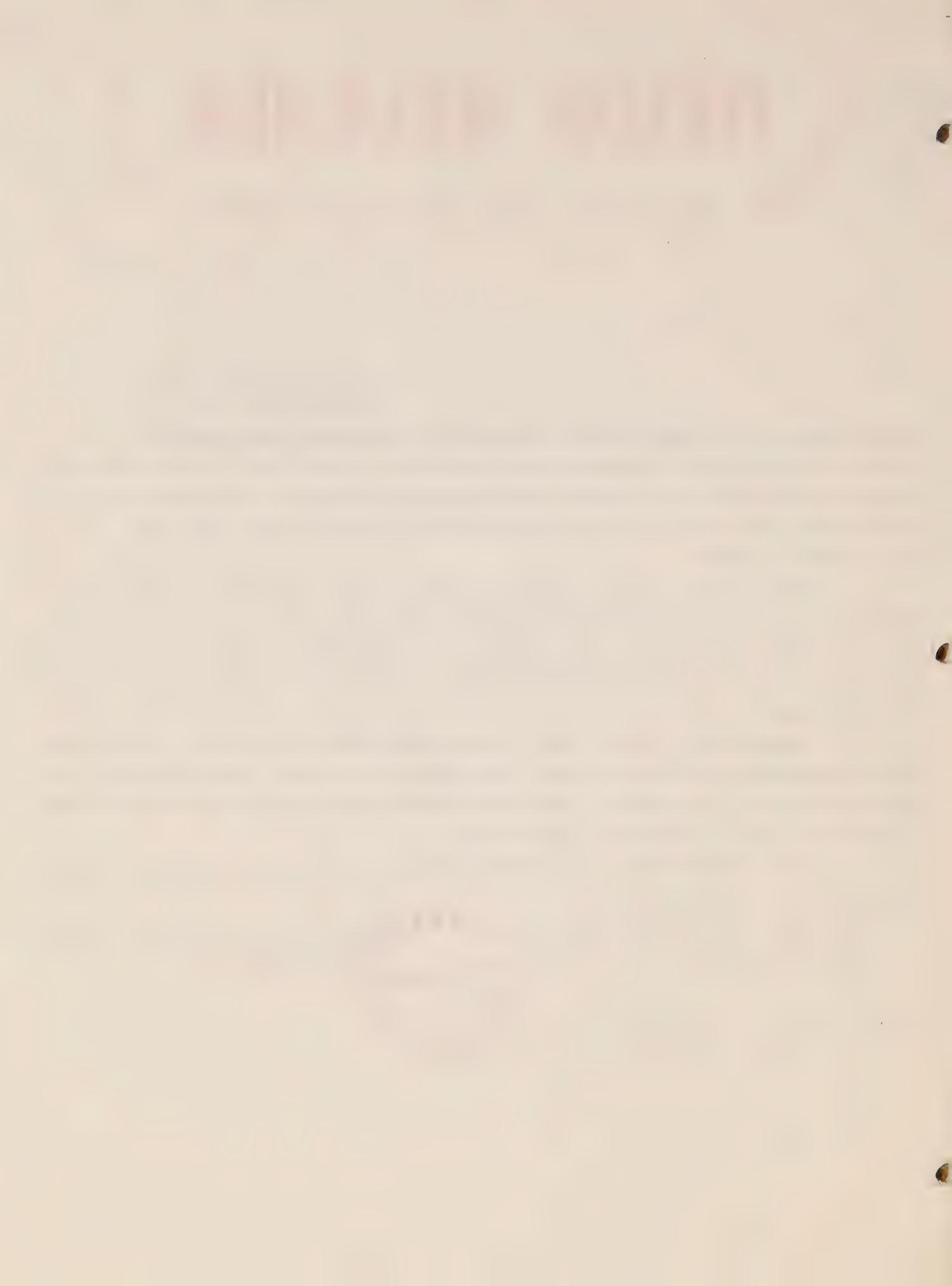
The application is currently being reviewed by the Board and is available for viewing at:

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Ottawa, Ontario



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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, OTTAWA, CANADA

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30 September 1981

NEB SETS DOWN ARCTIC PILOT PROJECT APPLICATIONS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing on Tuesday, 24 November 1981, in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 a.m. local time, on associated applications by Arctic Pilot Project Inc. and TransCanada PipeLines Limited. Phase I of the hearing will deal with the Applicants' policy and export related matters.

The Arctic Pilot Project application would involve the construction of a natural gas pipeline and liquefaction plant on Melville Island in the Arctic, the transport of the liquefied natural gas (LNG) in ice-breaking tankers to an eastern Canadian port where the LNG would be regasified, and finally the export of natural gas to the United States.

The application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited is for a certificate to authorize the construction and operation of the associated LNG receiving terminal and regasification plant. It would be located at either Gros Cacouna, Quebec, or Melford Point, Strait of Canso, Nova Scotia.

In addition to the Board's normal regulatory responsibilities of licensing the gas for export and certificating the regasification plant as part of a pipeline system, the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources and the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs have asked the Board to conduct a complete examination of the entire project to ensure that it is in the public interest.

The Board issued its official hearing notice more than two months ago, well before the hearing date had been selected. The purpose of this procedure was to provide interested parties with the maximum possible time to examine the applications and to prepare for the hearing. A total of 58 parties have now applied to be registered as intervenors.

Arctic Pilot Project Inc. has recently amended its application by reducing the quantity of Alberta gas to be exported. Therefore the Board has indicated that it is now prepared to hear the export component of the application with the other aspects of the Arctic Pilot Project rather than, as previously announced, as part of a future omnibus hearing to deal with all export applications.

The Board has indicated that it will hear the Applicants' policy position first, followed by the export application. The Board, in an order released today, has identified a number of important aspects on which evidence should be adduced. Subsequently, at a date to be announced later, the Board will hear evidence on more detailed matters related to the facilities in the Arctic, the southern terminals, ship design, safety and navigation matters, and

socio-economic and environmental aspects of the project, Canadian content, and choice of southern terminals.

While the original deadline for intervening was 21 August 1981, any parties whose interests are affected by the Board's decision to hear the export application in Phase I of the hearing may submit interventions until 28 October.

Although the major portion of the hearing will be in Ottawa, the Board intends also to sit elsewhere. The dates and locations will be announced later.

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30 September 1981

NORTH SHORE ALTERNATIVE REQUESTED BY TCPL FOR TROIS-RIVIERES/QUEBEC PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has set down for public hearing an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for permission to reroute a portion of the mainline and lateral gas pipeline facilities to be built in the Province of Quebec between Trois-Rivières and Quebec City, Quebec.

Last year the Board approved the construction of pipeline facilities between Boisbriand Junction and Lévis/Lauzon, via the South Shore. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was issued to TransCanada on 15 May 1980 authorizing the Company to build the pipeline.

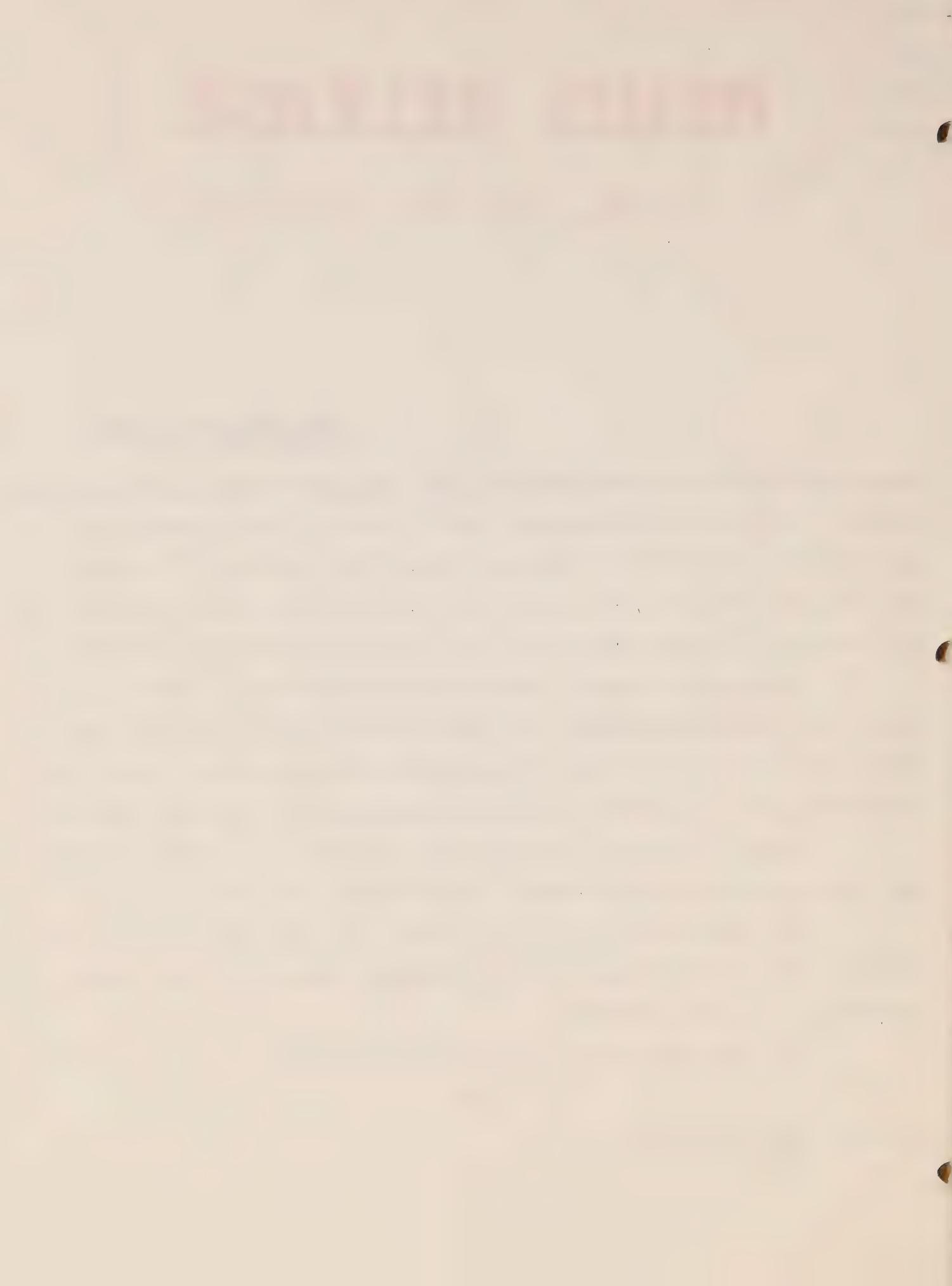
TCPL is now asking the Board to approve a North Shore route for the facilities to be built between Trois-Rivières and Quebec.

The hearing will be held in Quebec City starting on Monday, 9 November 1981, at 9:30 local time in the Salon Bellevue of the Château Frontenac, 1 rue des Carrières.

The deadline for the filing of interventions is 30 October 1981.

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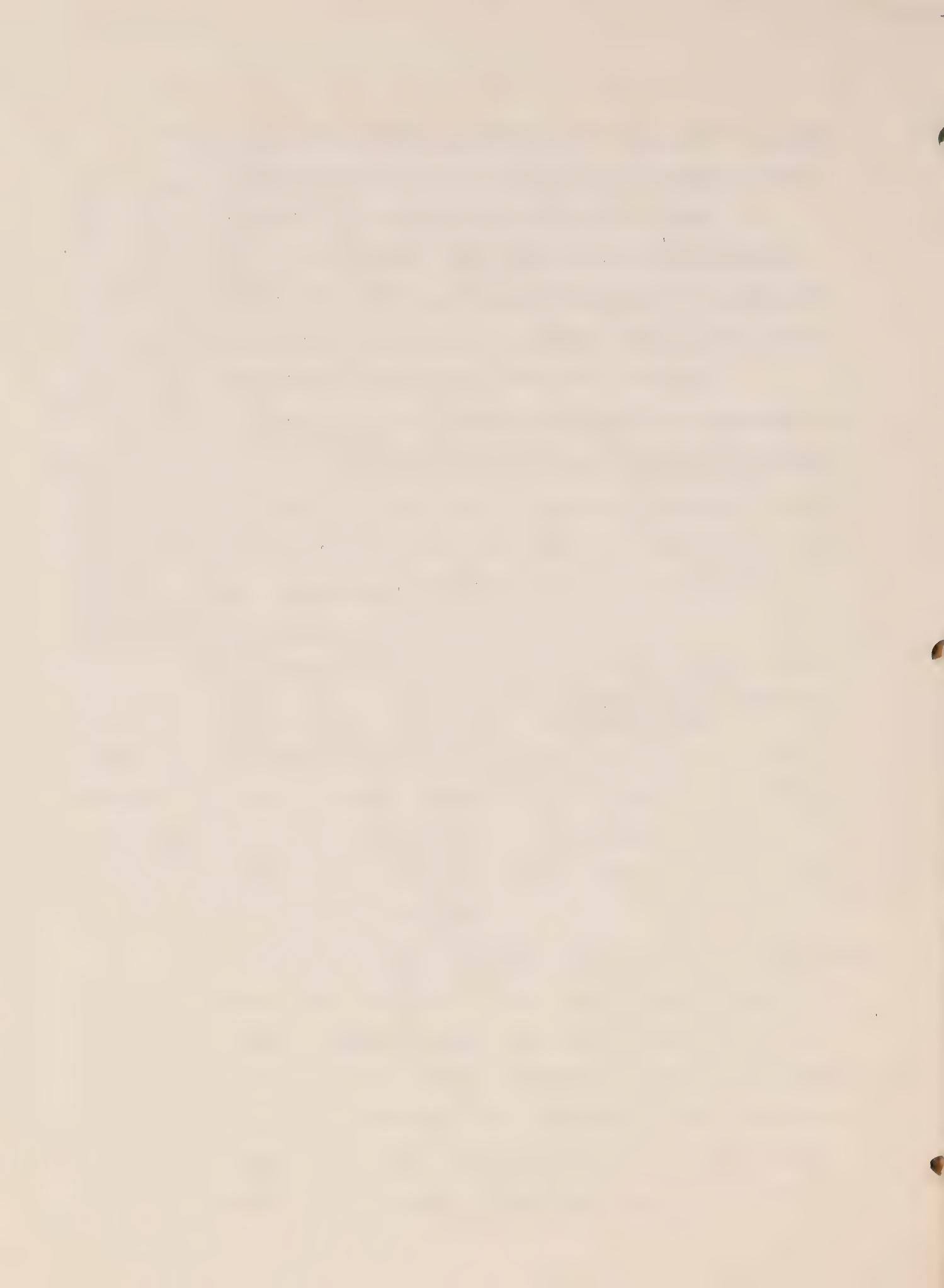
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30 September 1981

PUBLIC HEARING ON EXPROPRIATION OF LAND FOR PIPELINE EXTENSION FROM BOISBRIAND TO TROIS-RIVIERES, QUEBEC

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board has set down for a public hearing an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited for permission to acquire certain additional temporary and permanent land rights. On 15 May 1980, the Board issued to TCPL a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the construction of pipeline facilities from Boisbriand Junction to Lévis/Lauzon, Québec.

The company requires additional permanent rights-of-way of a maximum width of 4.71 metres, on certain properties, and temporary working rights of varying widths, at various locations along the pipeline for the construction, maintenance and operation of certain parts of the pipeline extension from Boisbriand to Trois-Rivières.

The hearing will be held in Trois-Rivières, Quebec, at the Salon Fou du Roi, Le Baron Motor Hotel, 3600 boulevard Royal, on Thursday 12 November 1981 at 9:30 local time.

The deadline for the filing of interventions is 2 November 1981.

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CHARGES ON BULK EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - OCTOBER 1981

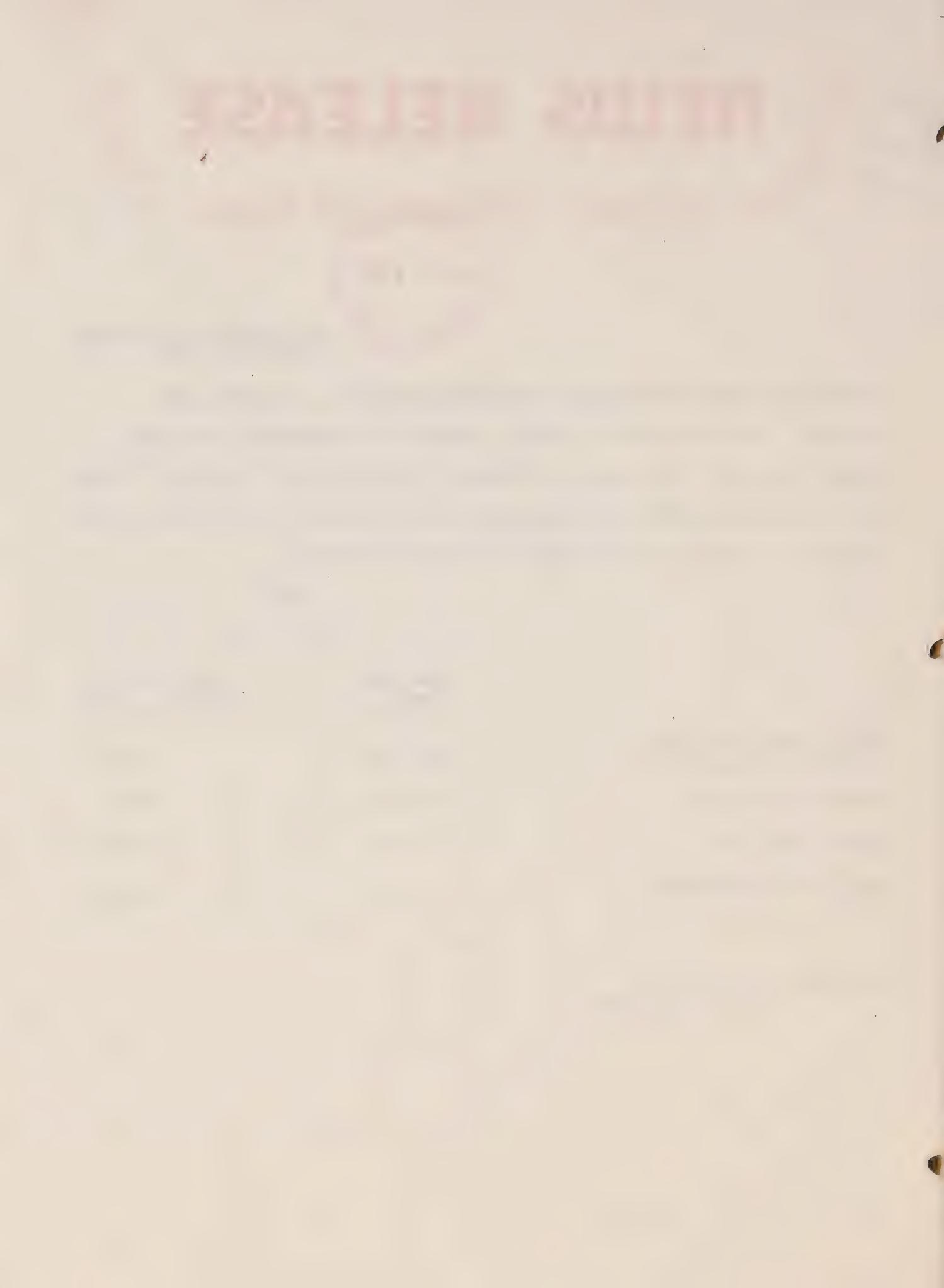
OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of October, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for October, 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	103.20	96.90
middle distillate	93.15	93.15
heavy fuel oil	37.45	37.45
partially processed oil	91.25	79.00

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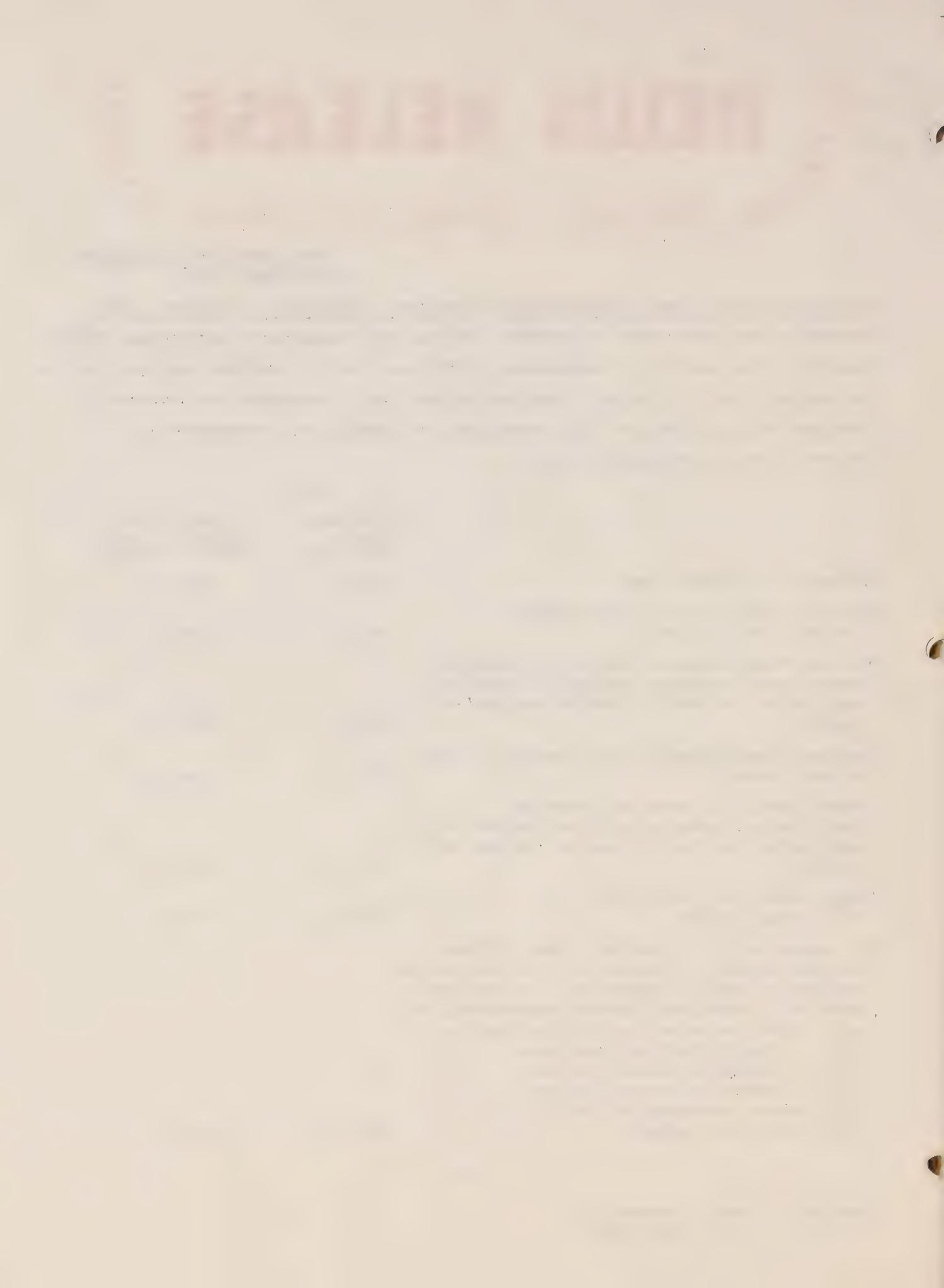
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1 October 1981

Transportation Fuel Compensation Recovery Charges - October, 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of September, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing the following transportation fuel compensation recovery charges be applied on fuel acquired in Canada and consumed in international transportation:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for October, 1981</u>
Aviation turbine fuels	93.10	80.50
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in British Columbia	59.80	59.80
Marine diesel/gasoil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	93.10	80.50
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in all other cases	74.25	74.25
Heavy fuel oil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	93.10	80.50
Heavy fuel oil delivered in all other cases	15.75	15.75
In cases where a company has, either in the month of export or in the three previous months imported a petroleum product, received import compensation, and from the same region defined as (i) the Atlantic Provinces, (ii) British Columbia, and (iii) other areas of Canada, furnishes transportation fuel of like kind for export	93.10	80.50



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1 October 1981

NEB TO HEAR TNPL INC. RATES APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing concerning an application by TNPL Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable tolls and tariffs for the transportation of refined petroleum products.

The Company operates a pipeline system which connects oil refineries located in Montreal, the Toronto area and Nanticoke, Ontario with storage terminals at various locations in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario. It is asking for an average rate of return of 17.75% on common equity and an overall return of 18.14% commencing 1 January 1982.

The application will be heard in the Hearing Room of the National Energy Board, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, starting 9 November 1981 at 9:30 a.m. local time.

The deadline for interventions has been set at Thursday,
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NEB RELEASES DECISION ON Foothills (Alta) RIGHT-OF-WAY APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today its Reasons for Decision approving an application made by Foothills Pipe Lines (Alta) Ltd. to take additional lands along the proposed right-of-way of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline between kilometre posts 253.7 and 254.8, near Brooks, Alberta.

Mr. William A. Scotland, the Designated Officer, Northern Pipeline Agency, considered the evidence and argument presented at a public hearing held in Calgary, Alberta on 22 June 1981.

Mr. Scotland had previously authorized the taking of the additional lands, following a hearing held in Brooks, Alberta on 5 February 1981. An order to this effect was issued and then rescinded because ownership of the land had changed subsequent to the close of the hearing.

In his decision Mr. Scotland states that he is satisfied that the taking of the additional lands is required for the efficient construction, maintenance and operation of the proposed pipeline.

The Applicant requires a permanent pipeline right-of-way of 29 metres in breadth and a permanent working space located over an existing right-of-way of NOVA, AN ALBERTA CORPORATION.



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NEB TO HEAR MOTIONS ON ARCTIC PILOT PROJECT

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on Monday 2 November 1981, in the Hearing Room of the NEB, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 9:30 local time, to hear separate motions filed by Inuit Tapirisat of Canada (ITC) and Baffin Region Inuit Association (BRIA) and the Province of Ontario, concerning the Arctic Pilot Project Inc. and TransCanada PipeLines Limited applications.

ITC and BRIA have requested that all matters relating to the facilities in the Arctic, the southern terminal, ship design and navigational matters, and the socio-economic and environmental aspects of the project be heard prior to general policy matters and the export component of the applications, and in the alternative for an adjournment of the hearing for at least 90 days after 24 November 1981.

They are also asking the Board to issue an order requiring the two applicants to provide responses to a number of interrogatories; and in the alternative for an adjournment of the hearing for a reasonable time following receipt of such further and better responses.

In its Notice of Motion, the Province of Ontario is asking the Board to adjourn the hearing for at least 90 days following the filing of all materials pertaining to the applications. The Province, in putting forward this motion, stated that the recent amendment to the APP application requires this length of time for examination by its advisors.

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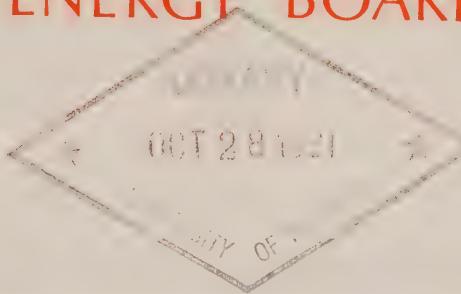
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15 October 1981

NEB SETS DOWN NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing commencing Tuesday, 24 November 1981 in the Huntington Room, Wandlyn Inn, Fredericton, New Brunswick, at 9:30 local time, on an application by the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission.

The N.B.E.P.C. has applied for eleven licences to export electric power and energy, including 335 megawatts of electric power from the Point Lepreau Nuclear Station, out of a total station capacity of 630 MW, to five American utilities as follows: 100 MW to Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Co., 5 MW (plus 10 MW non-nuclear) to Eastern Maine Electric Coop Inc., 100 MW to Central Maine Power Co., 30 MW to Bangor Hydro Electric Co., and 100 MW to Boston Edison Co.

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4 November 1981

CHARGES ON BULK EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - NOVEMBER 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of November 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for November 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	96.90	96.90
middle distillate	93.15	96.30
heavy fuel oil	37.45	28.00
partially processed oil	79.00	63.60

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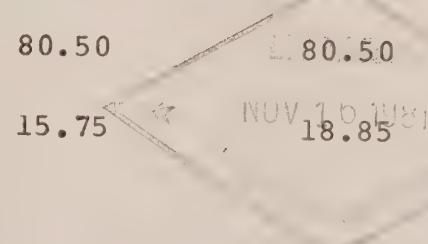
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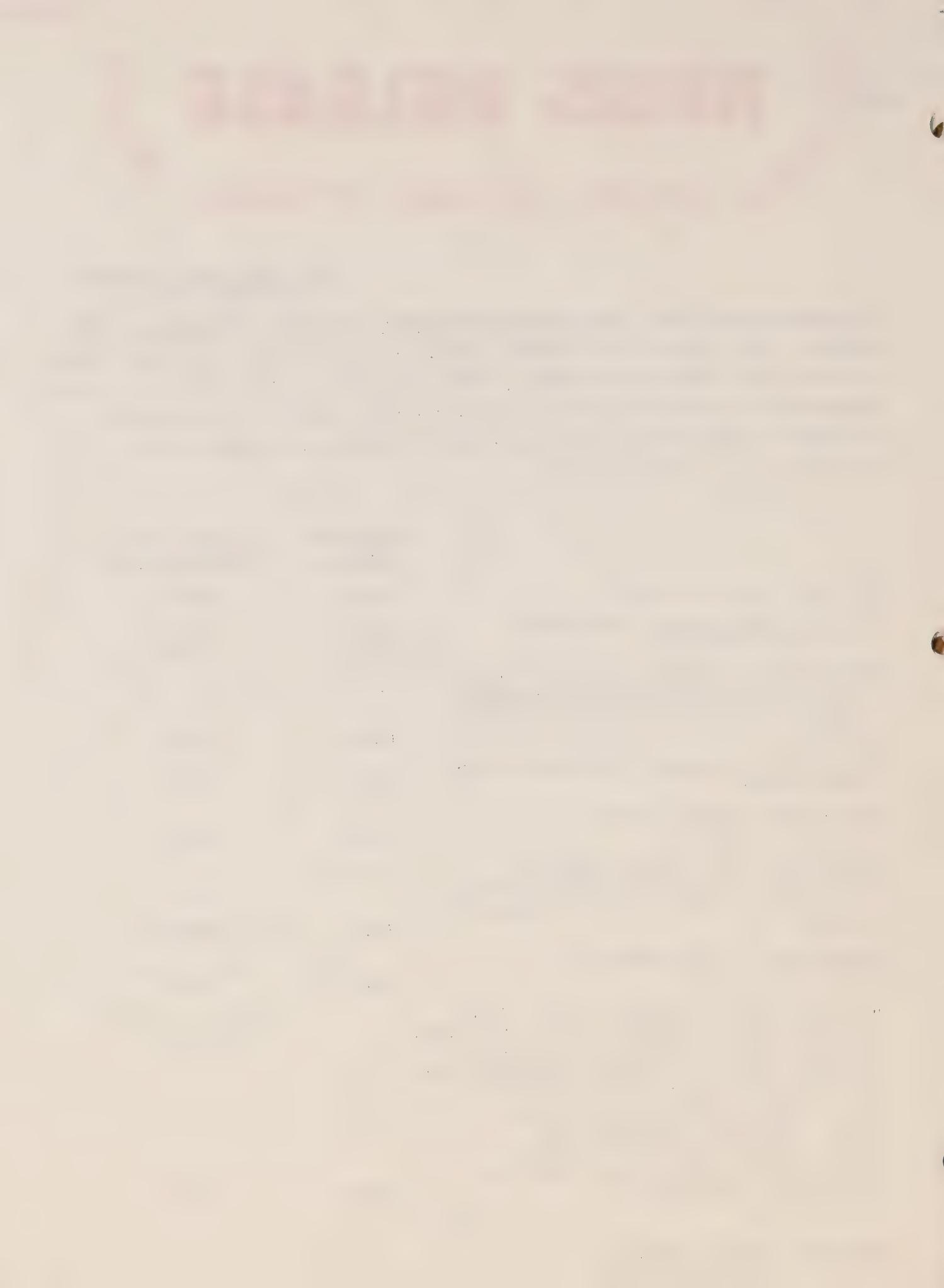
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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for November 1981</u>
Aviation turbine fuels	80.50	80.50
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in British Columbia	59.80	59.80
Marine diesel/gasoil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	80.50	80.50
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in all other cases	74.25	74.25
Heavy fuel oil delivered in British Columbia	15.75	22.05
Heavy fuel oil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	80.50	80.50
Heavy fuel oil delivered in all other cases	15.75	18.85
In cases where a company has, either in the month of export or in the three previous months imported a petroleum product, received import compensation, and from the same region defined as (i) the Atlantic Provinces, (ii) British Columbia, and (iii) other areas of Canada, furnishes transportation fuel of like kind for export	80.50	80.50





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6 November 1981

N.E.B. DELAYS COMMENCEMENT OF ARCTIC PILOT PROJECT HEARING TO 2 FEBRUARY 1982

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it has decided to adjourn the commencement date of the hearing on the Arctic Pilot Project from 24 November 1981 to 2 February 1982.

This decision was reached along with other decisions on various motions argued before the Board between 2 November 1981 and 4 November 1981 in connection with the Arctic Pilot Project.

The Arctic Pilot Project application would involve the construction of a natural gas pipeline and liquefaction plant on Melville Island in the Arctic, the transport of the liquefied natural gas (LNG) in ice-breaking tankers to an eastern Canadian port where the LNG would be regasified, and finally the export of natural gas to the United States.

TransCanada PipeLines Limited has applied for the certificate to authorize the construction and operation of the associated LNG receiving terminal and regasification plant. It would be located at either Gros Cacouna, Quebec, or Melford Point, Strait of Canso, Nova Scotia.

The hearing dealt with several motions among which was one by the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada (ITC) and the Baffin Region Inuit Association (BRIA) to rescind or vary Order No. AO-1-GH-3-81, which is a Board Order that established the sequence of dealing with the various matters to be considered at the hearing. In the alternative, ITC and BRIA applied for an adjournment of at least 90 days subsequent to 24 November 1981. In addition, the Province of Ontario moved to adjourn for 90 days after receipt of all material pertaining to the application. The Board considered the submissions of the parties and decided that AO-1-GH-3-81 should neither be rescinded nor varied except as to the date of the hearing. The commencement date for the hearing was therefore changed from 24 November 1981 to 2 February 1982.

On the motion by ITC and BRIA for an order that Arctic Pilot Project Inc. and TransCanada PipeLines Limited make an election between the Gros Cacouna, Quebec and Melford Point, N.S. terminal sites, the Board concluded that it was under no obligation to compel the applicants to select a site. Moreover, the Board did not find it necessary or desirable to require the applicants to make an election at this time. The Board stated that it expects the Applicant to provide full documentation for both sites.

On the motion by ITC and BRIA for security for costs, the Board was not persuaded that it should depart from its previous statements that the Board has no power to award costs. The application for security for costs was denied. However, the Board acknowledged the importance of the participation of ITC and BRIA in this public hearing process and noted that ITC and BRIA have received some funding for their intervention. The Board expressed the hope that ITC and BRIA would have sufficient funding to participate effectively throughout the proceedings.

The text of the Board's decision is available from the Board and written reasons for the decision will be released at a later date.

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17 November 1981

IPL (NW) LTD. RECEIVES NEB APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORMAN WELLS OIL PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that, with the approval of the Governor General in Council, it has issued a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Interprovincial Pipe Line (NW) Ltd. to authorize the construction of the Norman Wells oil pipeline.

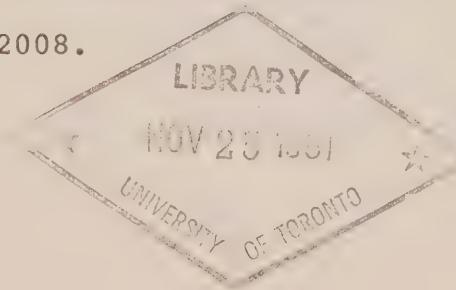
The pipeline will extend from Norman Wells in the Northwest Territories to Zama in Northern Alberta.

The certificate contains conditions which the Company must satisfy before construction may begin, including submitting findings on field tests, financing arrangements, an environmental assessment, mitigative measures for wildlife and fish resources, and inspection and monitoring programs before, during and after construction of the pipeline system.

The project is to become operational by mid-1985. The initial pipeline throughput volume will be in the order of 4497 m³/d, declining to 1387 m³/d in the year 2008.

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18 November 1981

NEB APPROVES NORTH SHORE ROUTE FOR QUEBEC PIPELINE

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board approved an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited to reroute, via the North Shore of the St-Lawrence River, gas pipeline facilities to be built between Trois-Rivières and Québec City under Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity GC-65 issued to TCPL on 14 May 1980.

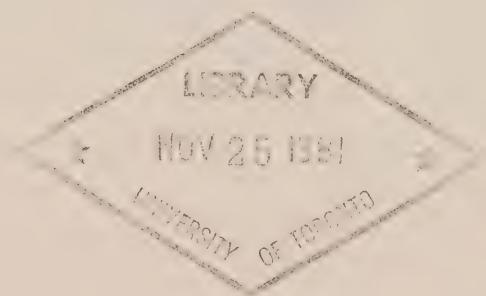
The Board's findings were delivered from the Bench on 10 November 1981, at the end of a two-day public hearing held in Québec City. Reasons for the decision are to follow.

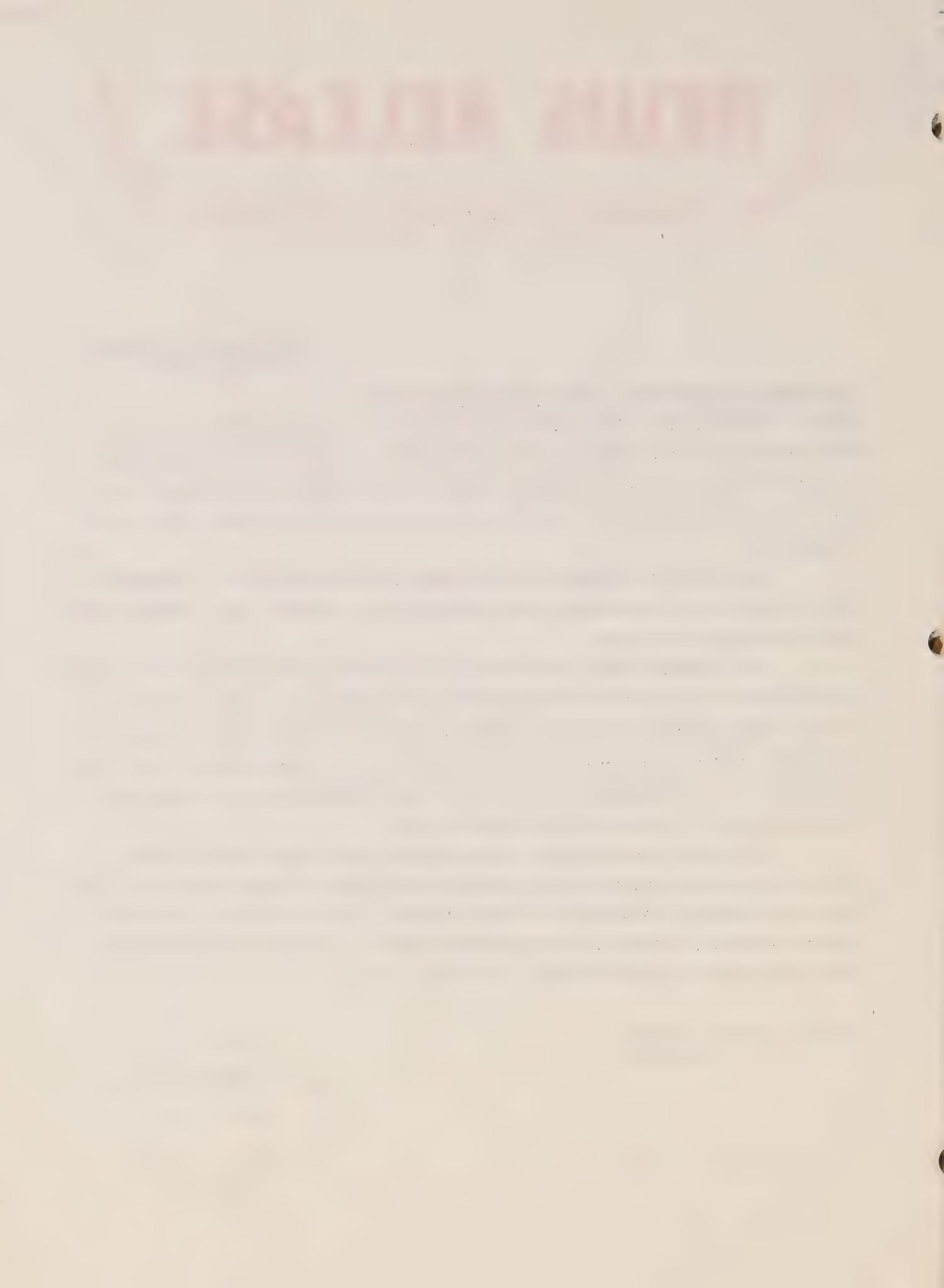
The proposed route considerably reduces the impact on agriculture and the environment and parallels other utility corridors to a greater extent. It is also less expensive and offers definite construction advantages, reducing the length of the pipeline as well as eliminating the construction of one major crossing of the St-Lawrence. Further, the North Shore route was supported by the Government of Québec, the CPTA and the UPA.

The Board also approved a minor deviation of the route for the section of the mainline facilities between Yamachiche and Trois-Rivières. The Board had reserved its decision on that request last July during a previous hearing pending a ruling on the proposed change of location of the pipeline facilities between Trois-Rivières and Québec City.

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NEB TO HEAR ONTARIO HYDRO POWER EXPORT AND FACILITIES APPLICATION

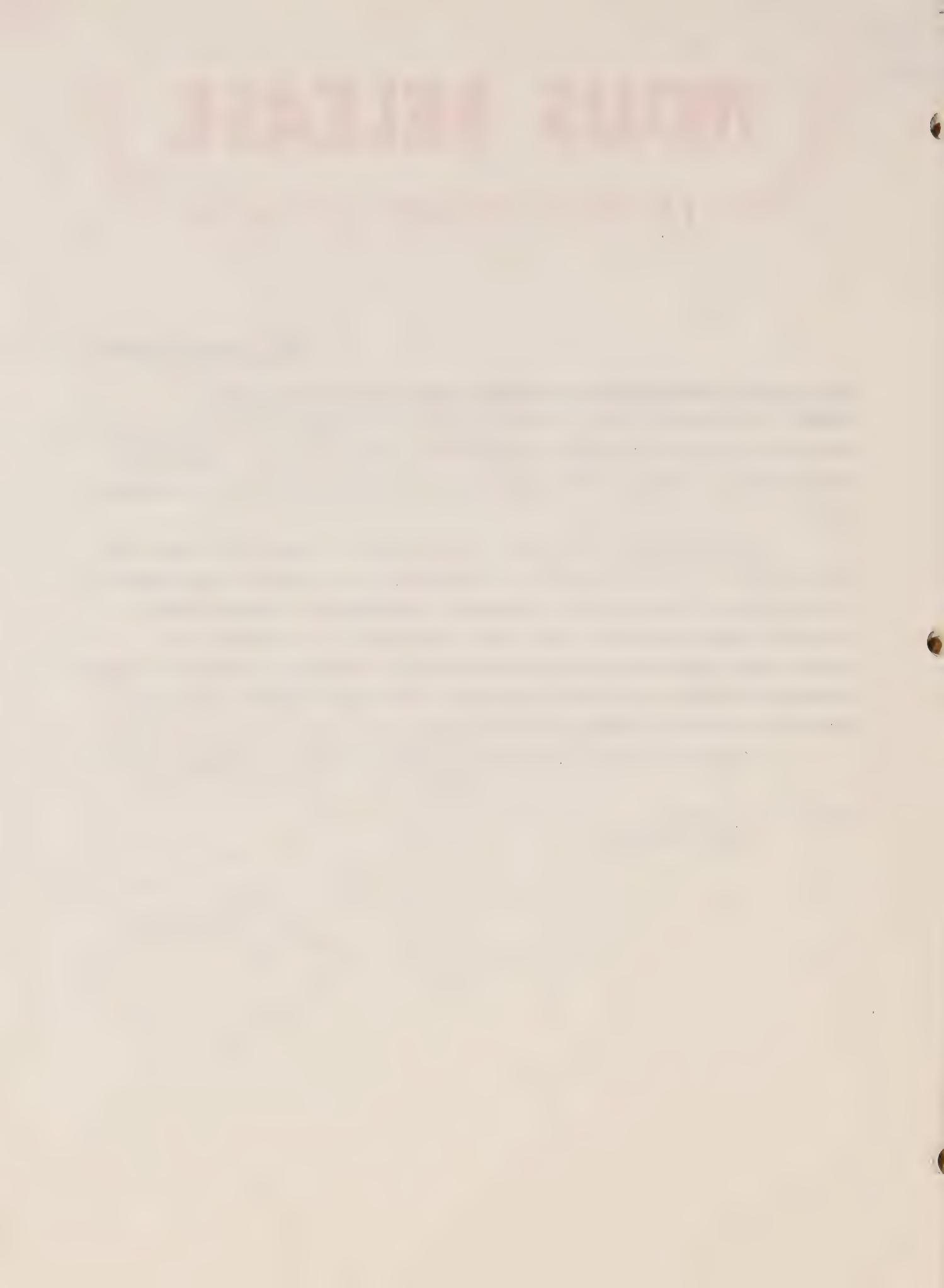
OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on an application by Ontario Hydro. The hearing will commence no earlier than 11 January 1982, the exact date and location will be announced later.

Ontario Hydro has applied for a licence to export firm power and energy of up to 1000 MW and 8760 GW.h per year for a period of ten years to Jersey Central Power and Light Company, a subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corporation (GPU), and for a certificate to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Canadian portion of a 1200 MW international power line under Lake Erie from Ontario Hydro's Nanticoke Generating Station to GPU's Erie West Substation, in Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

The deadline for the filing of interventions is 29 December 1981.

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26 November 1981

NEB RELEASES DECISIONS ON FOOTHILLS RIGHTS-OF-WAY APPLICATIONS

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board released today the Reasons for Decision approving two applications made by Foothills Pipe Lines (Alta.) Ltd. to take additional lands along the proposed rights-of-way of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline between Caroline and Empress, Alberta between kilometre posts 53.8 and 198.0, and 356.5 and 358.4.

Mr. William A. Scotland, the Board's designated officer, Northern Pipeline Agency, considered the evidence presented at a public hearing held at Strathmore, Alberta, on 10 July 1981. In his decision, Mr. Scotland states that he is satisfied that the taking of the additional lands is required for the efficient construction maintenance and operation of the proposed pipeline.

The Applicant requested permanent pipeline rights of way of 29 metres in breadth and temporary working space of a maximum of 10 metres next to the right of way.

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2 December 1981

CHARGES ON LICENSED EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS - DECEMBER 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today that for the month of December 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing that the following export charges be applied on bulk exports of petroleum products of domestic origin:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for December 1981</u>
motor gasoline and gasoline components	96.90	96.90
middle distillate	97.85	104.15
heavy fuel oil	28.00	34.30
partially processed oil	63.55	78.35

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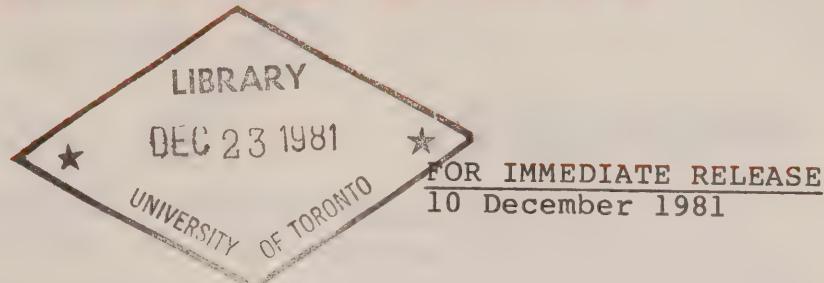


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NEB TO HEAR TRANSCANADA'S 1982 FACILITIES APPLICATION

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing on an application by TransCanada PipeLines Limited. The hearing will commence on Tuesday, 16 February 1982 in the Hearing Room of the NEB, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario at 9:30 local time.

TransCanada has applied for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to authorize the construction, operation and maintenance of additional pipeline facilities, namely a total of 186.4 km of 1219 mm loop in Saskatchewan and Manitoba (Western Section), 24.5 km of 914 mm loop in Manitoba (Emerson Extension), and 21.2 km of 1067 mm loop in Ontario (Central Section).

TransCanada stated that these additional facilities, estimated at approximately \$304 million, are required for the winter of 1982-83.

The deadline for filing of interventions has been set at 15 January 1982.



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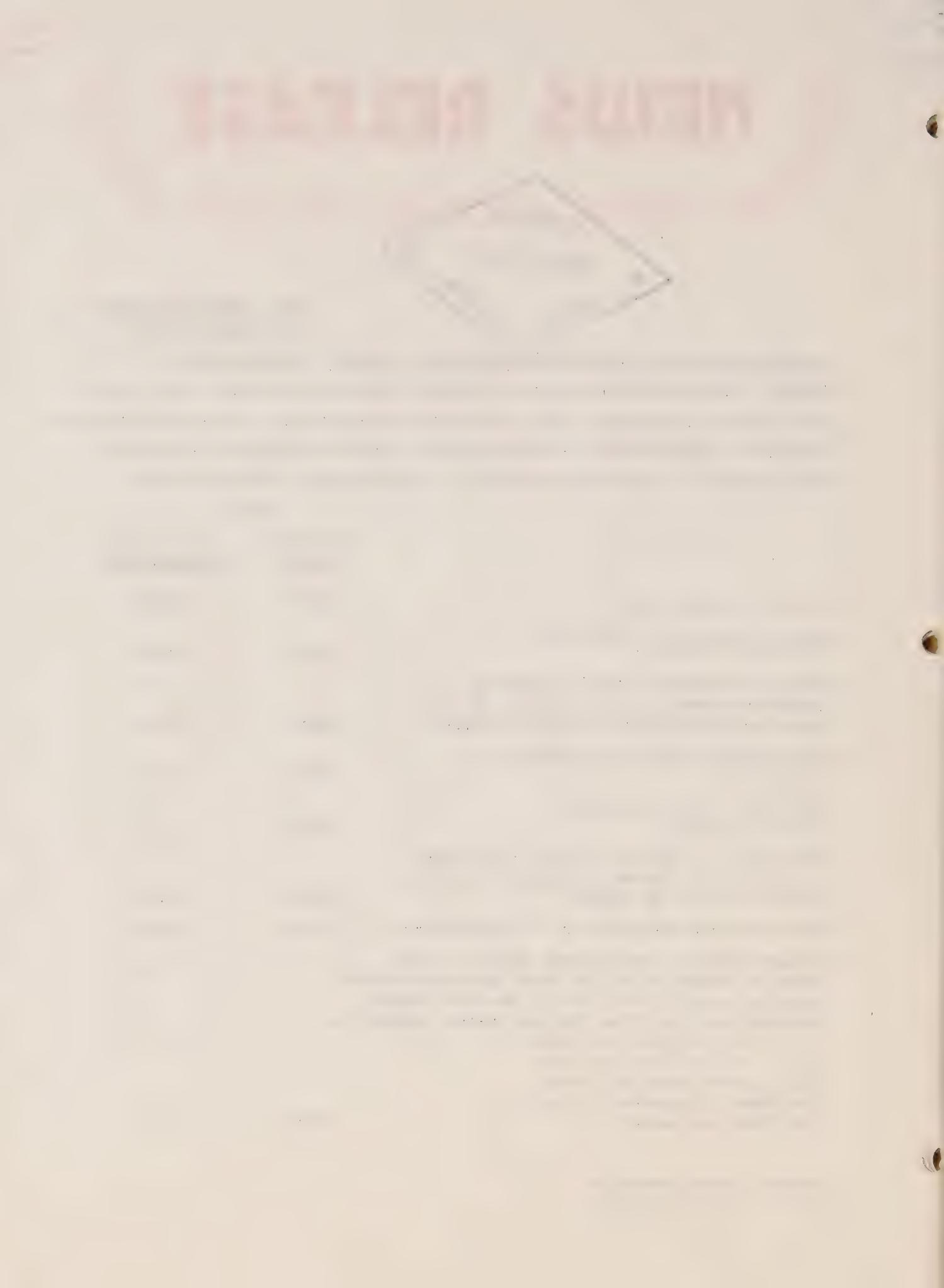
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Transportation Fuel Compensation Recovery Charges - December, 1981

OTTAWA - The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources announced today, that for the month of December, 1981 and until further notice, he is proposing the following transportation fuel compensation recovery charges be applied on fuel acquired in Canada and consumed in international transportation:

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	<u>Previous Level</u>	<u>Level for December 1981</u>
Aviation turbine fuels	80.50	78.35
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in British Columbia	59.80	53.50
Marine diesel/gasoil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	80.50	78.35
Marine diesel/gasoil delivered in all other cases	74.25	74.25
Heavy fuel oil delivered in British Columbia	22.05	28.30
Heavy fuel oil used by foreign registered vessels and delivered at any point in the Atlantic region of Canada	80.50	78.35
Heavy fuel oil delivered in all other cases	18.85	18.85
In cases where a company has, either in the month of export or in the three previous months imported a petroleum product, received import compensation, and from the same region defined as		
(i) the Atlantic Provinces,		
(ii) British Columbia, and		
(iii) other areas of Canada, furnishes transportation fuel of like kind for export	80.50	78.35



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ONTARIO HYDRO POWER EXPORT AND FACILITIES APPLICATION SET DOWN FOR HEARING

OTTAWA - The National Energy Board announced today that the public hearing of the Ontario Hydro application will commence on Tuesday, 19 January 1982 in the Hearing Room of the NEB, Trebla Building, 473 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario at 9:30 local time.

Ontario Hydro has applied for a licence to export firm power and energy of up to 1000 MW and 8760 GW.h per year for a period of ten years to Jersey Central Power and Light Company, a subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corporation (GPU), and for a certificate to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Canadian portion of a 1200 MW international power line under Lake Erie from Ontario Hydro's Nanticoke Generating Station to GPU's Erie West Substation, in Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

As previously announced, the deadline for filing of interventions is 29 December 1981.

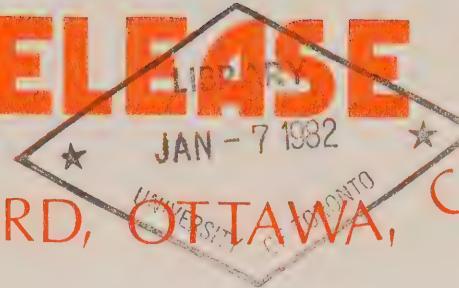
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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD TO HOLDS GAS EXPORT OMNIBUS HEARING

The National Energy Board announced today that it will hold a public hearing beginning on the 16th day of March 1982 in Ottawa on applications to export natural gas. The Board has to date received 16 applications for licences to export $307,365 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ of natural gas to the United States or to vary existing licences. The NEB expects other companies may also apply, before the hearing starts, for export licences to the United States or to Japan.

The public hearing will be held in three phases:

- 1) a review phase, in which the Board will consider whether the conditions attached to existing licences to export natural gas and the protection procedures for licensed volumes should be changed. The Board will also review the appropriateness of the procedures it uses to determine the availability of surplus natural gas for export. The Board will release its findings on the review phase before the commencement of Phase II;
- 2) a licence phase, in which the Board will examine the economic, contractual, regulatory, and other aspects of the individual applications for export licences;
- 3) a surplus phase, in which the Board will determine whether an exportable surplus exists and if so, to which, if any, of the applicants the Board should recommend that the Governor in Council approve the issuance of export licences;

If export licences are issued, a certificate hearing may be held if additional pipeline facilities are required in Canada to transmit the additional quantities of natural gas.

The NEB expects the hearing will last from six to eight months, with a final decision expected before the end of 1982. An order has been issued giving the schedule for the hearing and details of the matters to be dealt with at the hearing.

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